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U.S. EXPORTS MAY UPSET NEUTRALITY

Europe Contemplating Action in Washington

ROOSEVELT OPPOSED TO ARMS TRADE TO SPAIN

London, Dec. 29.
Some European commentators have expressed the foreboding that the United States' action in granting export licences for aircraft which may be used for war will defeat European efforts to make effective the non-intervention agreement, which nations are trying to employ to prevent the spread of the Spanish civil war.

The *Evening Standard's* diplomatic correspondent says the Non-Intervention Committee is expected to approach Washington, to draw attention to the danger. However, British authoritative quarters deny this intention.—*United Press*.

FAVOURS EMBARGO

New York, December 29.

President F. D. Roosevelt, at a press conference to-day, said he favoured legislation which would give the President the discretion of applying an arms embargo wherever nations suffered from internal strife.—*Reuter*.

Pittman's Criticism

Washington, Dec. 29.

The licences issued by the State Department for the export of thousands of dollars worth of airplanes and engines to Spain was described here to-day as a plain violation of the spirit and intention of the United States Neutrality Act, by Senator Key Pittman.

The Nevada politician stated that he intended to introduce legislation on January 6 to prevent all exports of arms and ammunition to Spain. He hoped that such legislation could be enacted in time to hold up the consignment from New Jersey, destined for Bilbao, and which was not expected to leave the United States for at least another two months.

New legislation, he said, should extend the present act, which applies only to international wars, to all major civil wars.

A spokesman for the firm of aircraft brokers which has been granted the export licences, stated that all planes whose export they were contemplating were second-hand commercial machines, not equipped for conversion into instruments of war.—*Reuter*.

HOLLAND EN FETE

PERPARING FOR ROYAL WEDDING

THRONGS IN CAPITAL

The Hague, Dec. 29.

The towns of Holland are humming with preparations for the wedding of Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard, who will some day rule the kingdom.

In the evenings, now, Government buildings, the Royal Palace and important structures of The Hague are flood-lit, and thousands of peasants from the countryside come to the city to see these splendid sights.

Traffic in the centre of the city is stopped during the night to enable the masses of pedestrians to walk the streets in freedom.

Officers of the Dutch Navy presented Prince Bernhard with blueoculars after he was sworn in as a lieutenant.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Washington, Dec. 29.

President Roosevelt has accepted the resignation of Mr. J. J. Burns, General Counsel of the Securities Exchange Commission, and it is announced that Mr. Allen B. Thompson, senior assistant, succeeds Mr. Burns.—*United Press*.

Great Britain Guards Her War Supplies

London, Dec. 29.

It is officially stated that contracts will be signed shortly to transfer the shell-filling and other explosive departments from Woolwich to four arsenals near Bridgford (Glamorgan), Chorley, Irvine (Ayrshire) and Hereford. The Chorley factory will cover nine hundred acres.

The new arsenals will be less open to air attack than that at Woolwich.—*Reuter*.

DEMANDS LABOUR REFORMS

STARVATION WAGE DENOUNCED

ROOSEVELT'S WARNING

Washington, Dec. 29.

President F. D. Roosevelt, in a press conference here to-day, called for the elimination of child labour, long hours and starvation wages.

Denouncing such practices, he plainly indicated that action was needed to abolish them.

He directed criticism against that "ten per cent. of industry" which, he said, does not play fair in competition with other businesses.

The President drew attention to the break-down of the maximum wage limitations since the death of the N.R.A.—a subject which he discussed earlier with Mr. Sidney Hillman.

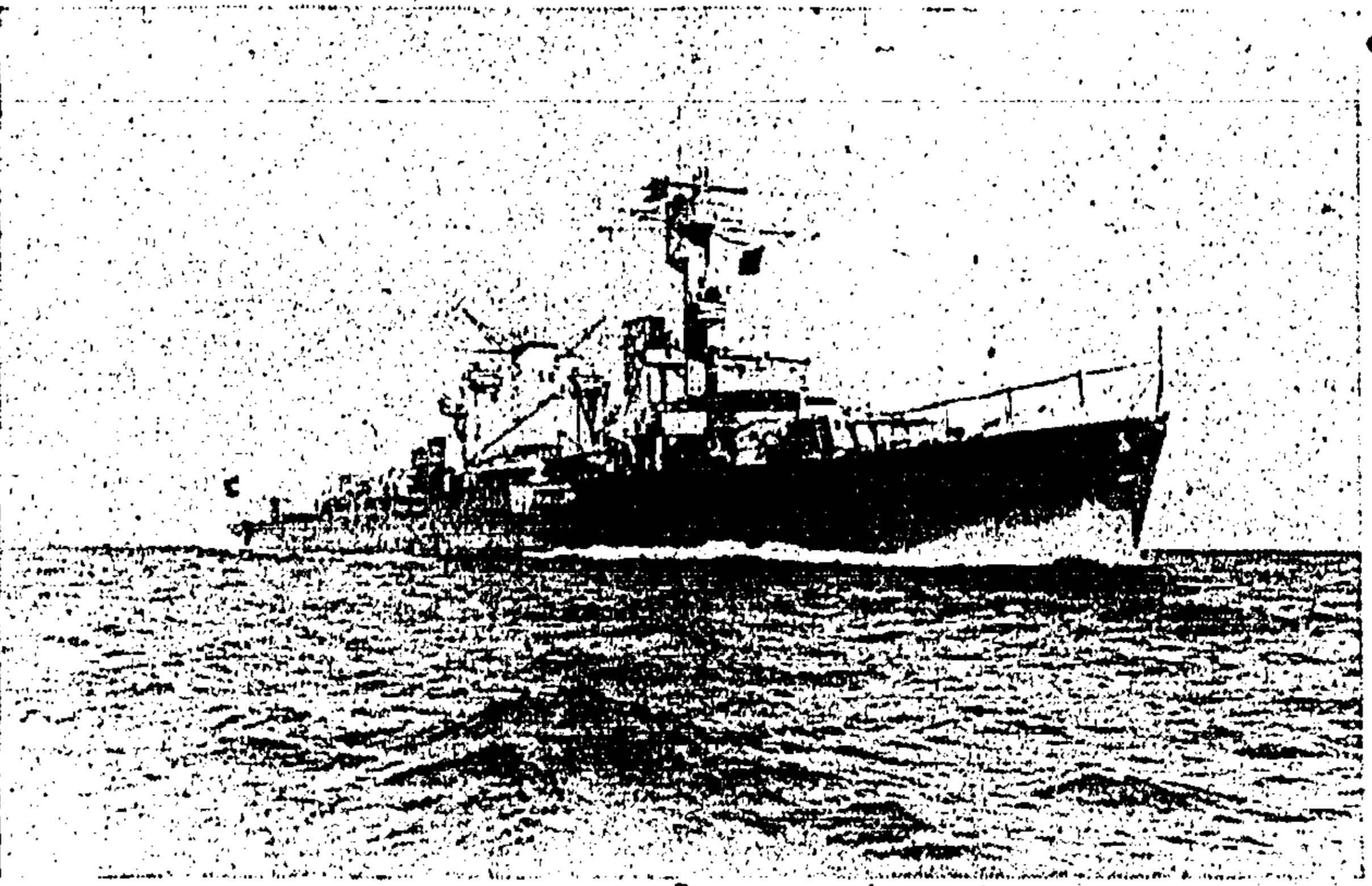
The President indicated that any action taken would be by the federal authority, since he feels the states are not strong enough to remedy the situation.—*United Press*.

DIPLOMATIC CHANGE

London, Dec. 29.

The King has approved the appointment of Mr. B. C. Newton, Minister at the Embassy in Berlin, to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Prague, in succession to Mr. C. H. Bentinck, who has been appointed Ambassador at Santiago.—*British Wireless*.

SHARP DEMAND OF GERMAN CRUISER BRINGS RELEASE OF ARRESTED SHIP



The cruiser Koenigsberg, which was pushed to Bilbao on the seizure of the freighter Palos, a German ship, by Leftist patrol vessels, and whose demands for release of the arrested vessel have won Spanish acquiescence. The international problem is not entirely settled, however, for the Spaniards still detain passengers and cargo of the Palos.

PALOS RELEASED BY SPANISH LEFTISTS But Passengers and Part Of Cargo Still Detained

It is officially reported that the Leftist Government authorities in Spain have released the German steamer Palos, upon the demand of the commander of the German cruiser, Koenigsberg, which went hurriedly to Bilbao after the arrest and detention of the vessel there.

However, the Leftists are continuing to detain the Spanish passengers from the ship at Bilbao and to hold such portions of her cargo as they consider to come under the category of "war supplies." Hence, the matter is not yet settled.

NOTED WRITER'S DEATH

A. G. "SMILER" HALES SAW MANY WARS

PROLIFIC NOVELIST

London, Dec. 29.

The death has occurred of Mr. A. G. Hales, the well-known war correspondent and novelist.—*Reuter*.

The late Mr. Hales, who was known as "Smiler Hales," was born in Australia in 1870, but began his journalistic career in England. In the South African war of 1899-1901 he was the correspondent of a London newspaper, but was wounded and taken prisoner by the Boers. Released at the end of the campaign, he served his paper by investigating at great risk the highly complicated problem of the Macedonian resistance to Turkish control. War service again came his way in 1905 when he was present at some of the chief battles of the Russo-Japanese conflict.

Three different lines of work then occupied many years of his life. He toured England, America, South Africa and Australia as a lecturer. Throughout his travels, however, he studied the physical features of the countries through which he passed, particularly in regard to mining. In addition to making a special investigation into the mining and agricultural possibilities of the greater part of South America he claimed to have been on nearly every known mining field in the world. In the intervals of travel and big-game shooting he found time for writing poems and stories reflecting the impressions of his wanderings. He was notably successful with a series of books relating the adventures and opinions of a Scot whom he named McGilsky.

Among his other works are "The Wanderings of a Simple Child," "Campaign Pictures," "Driscoll, King of Scouts," "The Great Betrayal," "Broken Trails," "Followed by a Woman," "The Jackaroo," "The Life and Adventures of May Yoh" and "Abner's Cruise's Vengeance." All were lively and thrilling.

Meanwhile, High Government officials appear to be strongly opposed to further and more active support by Germany of the Spanish Nationalist cause.

Radio despatches from Bilbao state that the Palos carried a large cargo, including field wireless sets, and saw materials for the manufacture of explosive aerial bombs.—*United Press*.

Backing From Russia

Moscow, Dec. 29.

M. Maxim Litvinoff, the Foreign Commissar, has informed the British and French Ambassadors here that the Russian Government agrees in principle with the British and French proposals for the preservation of neutrality in the Spanish crisis, delivered to Moscow earlier this month.

The notes suggested the banning of all volunteers to Spain.

The British Government has not yet received any replies from other Governments questioned in these matters.—*Reuter*.

Doubtful About Germany

Moscow, Dec. 29.

While the British and French Ambassadors here have been informed that Russia fully supports the principle of strict enforcement of the Non-Intervention Agreement, and favours the banning of despatching of volunteers to Spain, it is felt in the Red capital that Germany's co-operation in this direction is doubtful.—*United Press*.

Meanwhile, a new strike wave, which spread to the bakers of Paris this morning and was threatening the city's food supplies and curtailment of the New Year festivities, has subsided this evening. It was then announced that an agreement had been reached and that shops would re-open to-morrow.—*Reuter Special*.

CROWD TURNS UGLY

PARIS MUNICIPAL WORKERS STRIKE

FOOD SUPPLIES THREATENED

Paris, Dec. 29.

The city's municipal workers, who went on an hour's strike to-day to warn the authorities to restore to them the wage cut imposed a year ago, held a mass meeting this evening and afterwards demonstrated before the Hotel de Ville and in the streets adjoining.

Police and Mobile Guards who intervened were received with cat-calls and booing and the strains of the Communists' "Internationale."

At one time the police cordon was broken by the crowd which very nearly gained entry to the municipal buildings.

Mounted men, then lined up in front of the entrances and others attempted to clear the square.

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EXPORTS GAINING

London, Dec. 29.

The export trade of practically all British countries has shown an increase in the last year, 9.8 per cent. for the United Kingdom and 13.8 for Canada, though exports to Italy and Spain declined again.—*United Press*.

FRESH ANXIETY FELT FOR POPE Fear His Condition Now Really Dangerous

Vatican City, Dec. 29.

The condition of health of His Holiness Pope Pius has taken a serious turn for the worse and to-night it is feared he has developed the first symptoms of thrombosis, arising from varicose veins in his left leg. This condition is recognised as dangerous.

His Holiness will be required to keep quietly to his bed. The Pope's leg is causing him great pain, which has been aggravated by a sharp attack of neuritis. Dr. Milani has applied electrical treatment, without it having much apparent effect.

Protecting Britain's Interests

Madrid, Dec. 29.

The decision to transfer the British Embassy to Valencia has been received with disappointment by members of the British colony who do not propose to leave Madrid when the move is made.

The British Chamber of Commerce has cabled to Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, pointing out that many members of the colony are remaining in Madrid in order to protect British interests, and they will be at a disadvantage with no official representation at the capital.—*Reuter*.

DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT

MR. RALPH PACKHAM IN H.K. IN 1900

Old residents of the Colony will learn with regret of the death, which took place at Southwick, Sussex, on December 10, of Mr. Ralph Packham, formerly of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. at the age of 60 years. The news will come as a surprise to many of his friends, who had recently received the customary Christmas greetings from the family.

The late Mr. Packham was, prior to his retirement in 1925, one of Kowloon's best-known and most highly respected residents. He was for many years an active member of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents Association, whilst for a period of 18 years he was a Churchwarden at St. Andrew's Church, where his wife and daughter were closely identified with religious and social activities.

Mr. Packham came out East in July, 1900, with the intention of joining the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, then under construction, but the occurrence of the Boxer troubles held up the project and some two months later he joined the Godown Company, with which he remained for 25 years as cargo superintendent. He leaves a widow and two daughters, one of whom is Mrs. F. G. Herridge, with whom much sympathy will be felt.

ANOTHER DEATH

Captain Nicholas Alexandrovitch Rodzestvin, well-known riding instructor, died shortly after midnight this morning at Kowloon Hospital. Deceased was 42 years of age and leaves a widow, formerly Mrs. Tatz, whose previous husband was an artist of some repute and often gave exhibitions of his paintings.

Capt. Rodzestvin was in command of cavalry under the old Russian regime and was one of the thousands of Russians who left their country and came to China after the Revolution. He had learned to ride at the best military academies in his native country and on the strength of his reputation he opened a riding school in Shanghai before coming to Hongkong about six years ago. Since then he has been connected with several riding schools here and, at the time of his death, was instructor to the Kowloon Riding School.

BRIDGES EXONERATED

Long Beach, Dec. 29.

Mr. Harry Bridges, the labour union leader, was to-day exonerated of an investigation concerning the death of a child, run down by his automobile.—*United Press*.

CONDITION UNCHANGED

Vatican City, Dec. 29.

The condition of His Holiness the Pope was unchanged at midnight.—*Reuter*.

stitutions to offer prayers for His Holiness. The instructions have not yet been extended to the churches in order not to arouse alarm.

This morning Pope Pius received Cardinal Pacelli for the transaction of the usual business which engages him at that hour.—*Reuter*.

Suffering Greatly

Vatican City, Dec. 29.

It is semi-officially stated that His Holiness the Pope is now, admittedly, gravely ill and is suffering excruciating pain.

The condition in his left leg has grown worse during the day. Vatican circles are most depressed and worried, although there is no intimation that His Holiness is in danger of sudden death.—*United Press*.

Naval Treaty Ratification Near At Hand

FRANCE PREPARED TO ACT AT ONCE

London, Dec. 29.

Ratification of the London Naval Treaty of 1930 by France and the United Kingdom, which will bring the Treaty into force, is expected at a relatively early date.

Both the French and British Governments are known to be prepared to ratify the treaty and in the case of France the normal parliamentary procedure will be completed before long. British ratification, it is believed, may be deferred somewhat longer in view of the series of bilateral naval talks in which the United Kingdom Government has engaged in order to secure wider adhesion to the principles of advance notification of annual building programmes and of exchange of information embodied in the London Treaty, as well as acceptance of definitions of categories of ships and standard displacements, and of agreed qualitative limits for each category which the Treaty provides.

Nevertheless it is anticipated in London the United Kingdom and French Government's ratification will both take place early next year.—*British Wireless*.

HIGH ENDURANCE OF AIRCRAFT

DE HAVILLAND SETS FINE RECORD

London, Dec. 29.

Remarkable endurance figures for De Havilland Diana class aircraft to-day are published.

Altogether at the present time 50 D. H. 80 air-liners are in regular service on 18,000 miles of air routes, and their total mileage flown up to last September was nearly 4,000,000 miles.—*British Wireless*.

Page For Women

when rough weather dries your skin

By
Jane
Gordon

I GATHER from your letters that it is about time I gave you a routine for winter complexions. Although different types of skins require totally different preparations, there are certain rules about complexion care that apply to everyone.

You should remember that cold winds and rough weather dry the skin, and therefore you should not wash your face directly before going out or immediately on coming in.

If your face needs remaking-up before you go out take off the old make-up with cleansing cream, unless your face is very greasy, in which case you can use a cleansing milk. After cream or cleansing milk sponge with luke-warm water and dry thoroughly before applying your make-up.

If you are accustomed to a soap and water wash-use this at night only. Sponge the face thoroughly with cool water in the morning.

During the winter months avoid astringents and use mild skin tonics sparingly.

DYSPEPSIA

By Family Doctor

A BUSINESS man consulted me recently because of his chronic dyspepsia.

Indigestion associated with an excess of acid in the stomach is the most common form of stomach trouble, for many people refuse to study the digestion until too late.

This patient had been bolting his meals hurriedly for years; first his heavy breakfast was gulped down, then he was borne to the station in his car. During the train journey he studied the financial market and arrived at his office to work at high pressure until lunch time. He complained of a feeling of fullness after food with heartburn and sometimes nausea.

I ADVISED him to have some artificial teeth, so that he could chew his food well, for many of his molars were missing. I also told him to eat his meals at regular hours, to eat them slowly and to rest for half an hour afterwards.

In cases such as this all starchy foods should be restricted and fluids taken about two hours after a meal. No fried dishes are allowed and no indigestible raw salads or hard fruits.

If these directions are carefully followed there is no reason why this middle-aged man and others like him should not be completely fit and well.

(1) Red, Roughened and Chapped

NIGHT treatment. Take off make-up or clean the face, if make-up is not used, with cleansing cream or good cold cream. Wipe off cream with soft tissue.

Rinse face thoroughly with luke-warm water, using a rubber sponge. Dry thoroughly. Put in skin food for dry skins. If there are any definite cracks or sore places on the face substitute the skin food with zinc and eucalyptus ointment, which you can get from your chemist.

There is a special preparation that is very soothing for chapped skins and can be used in the daytime as well as at night. Wipe off cream or ointment before you get into bed.

In the morning sponge with luke-warm water only. If you wear make-up use a special wind-proof cream as a powder foundation.

If you do not use make-up put in a complexion balm. Dust on powder with swan-down puff. Wipe off all powder. This will prevent a shiny appearance.

(2) Thread Veins and Skins That Flush

NIGHT treatment for complexions with thread veins or that become red and are inclined to burn when entering hot rooms or after meals.

Take off make-up and clean your face with cleansing milk on a pad of cotton wool. Rinse off with warm water. Put in special skin food. Wipe off afterwards with cleansing tissue.

In the morning sponge with cool water only.

Make-up with a liquid foundation. This not only disguises the redness, but has a cooling effect on the skin.

(3) Dry, Sensitive Skins

THIS is the night treatment. Use cleansing milk on a pad of cotton wool. Rinse with warm water.



Put in skin food specially made for sensitive skins or turtle oil or one of the turtle oil creams. Wipe off with cleansing tissue. In the morning sponge with cool water only.

Make-up with a complexion balm as a powder foundation. This can be used on the neck and hands as well as on the face.

(4) Oily Skins

NIGHT treatment: Soap and water wash with luke-warm water and a good complexion soap, giving the face plenty of friction with a rubber sponge.

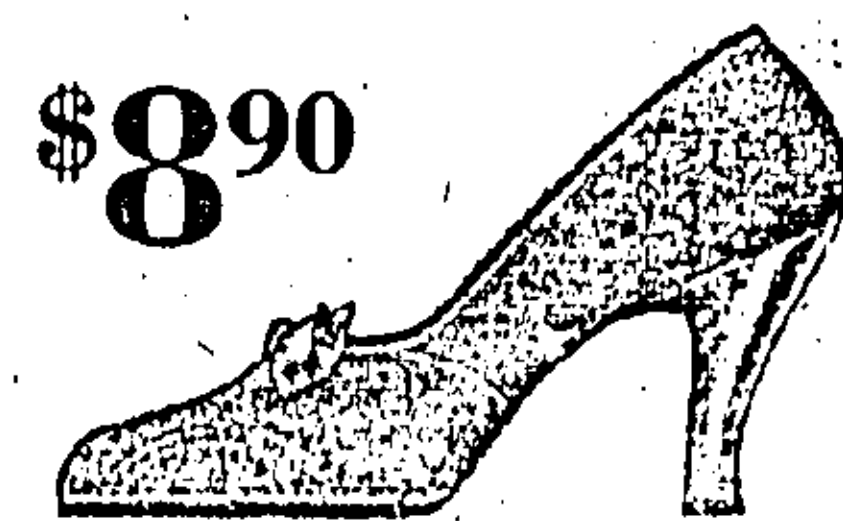
Rinse with cool water. Put in skin food for greasy skins. Wipe off afterwards with cleansing tissue. Put in skin tonic on a pad of cotton wool.

In the morning sponge with cool water only. Make-up with a liquid powder foundation.

A happy New Year
1937

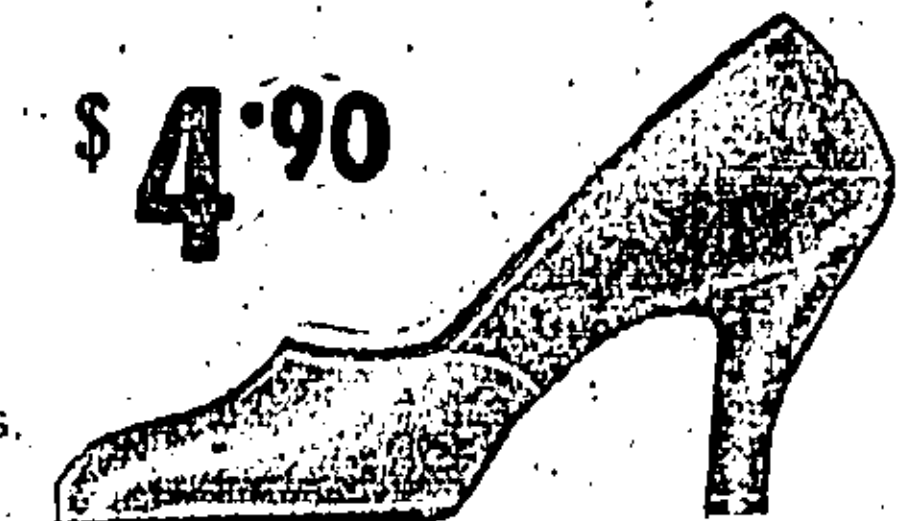


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2. Cut the steaks about an inch thick.
3. Sprinkle them with a little oil.
4. Heat the grill before putting the meat underneath it.
5. It is best to cook on an iron grill with round bars.
6. Don't salt the meat until it is cooked . . . and immediately after taking it off the fire. This little detail is very important.

Grilled Mushrooms

Choose a pound of mushrooms, all roughly the same size. Take off

the stalks, cut them up, and add a clove of garlic. Wash the mushrooms and put them upside down on the grill. Cook them for 10 minutes.

Put two spoonfuls of olive oil in a frying-pan and add two onions cut into little pieces. When they are fried to a golden brown add the mushroom stalks and two spoonfuls of tomato juice. Let them simmer for a quarter of an hour, then salt and pepper them.

Arrange the mushrooms in a dish, pour the contents of the frying-pan over them, and sprinkle on each one half a tea-spoonful of oil, and a few grated bread-crumbs.

Put the dish in a low oven for 15 minutes, and then serve it garnished with chopped parsley.

Butter Maitre d'Hotel.

On a warm plate mix a chunk of butter with salt, pepper, and the juice of a lemon.

Grilled Potatoes

Peel the potatoes and cut them in fairly thick slices. Roll them in crystallised sugar and grill them, seven minutes for each side of the slices.

Arrange them in a dish and serve them with sweet pickles.

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Corral the famed Rumanian bandit, who has several crimes to answer for, is seen above being led, with his accomplices to the court at Bacau. For the sake of security they are linked at hands and feet.

Five Black Legion Men Shot Negro War Veteran

Detroit, Dec. 21. FIVE members of the terrorist "Black Legion" have been convicted at Detroit of the murder of Silas Coleman, a negro war veteran. The verdict carries with it a sentence of imprisonment for life. Formal sentence will be pronounced by the judge later.

Coleman was lured to a lonely spot by members of the legion. Five men opened fire on him, but he was only wounded, and bolted.

They chased him, and when his body was found it had 18 bullet wounds. The "Black Legion" is a powerful secret organization which professes to protect Protestant citizens. It is alleged that people have been

tortured and murdered because they were considered to be immoral or un-American.

Burglar Caught By His Teeth Marks

New York, Dec. 21. Frank Rivers, aged twenty-three, of West Warwick, Rhode Island, was arrested for burglary as a result of his teeth marks being found on a cheese in the larder of the house into which he broke.—Reuter.

MICRO-WAVES SECRET

WORLD RADIO TELEPHONE IN REACH OF ALL

By A Special Correspondent on board the yacht Elettra

Santa Margherita, Dec. 21.

To-day on board the yacht Elettra, lying in the blue waters of the Mediterranean, I witnessed what may be the most remarkable experiment Marconi has yet made. The famous discoverer of wireless sent his voice seven times round the earth in one second.

"I shall use the shortest word in order to clarify the demonstration," Marconi said to me. A simple little word like "No," for example.

Marconi stepped towards an ordinary-looking transmitting microphone and spoke. Almost before the "No" was out of his mouth a loud speaker in the laboratory flashed back:

"NO... NO... NO... NO... NO... NO... NO."

I looked at Marconi in perplexity. My eyebrows asked my unspoken question. He smiled at my amazement.

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"You want to know why the loud speaker says 'No' seven times. The sound I made travelled almost as quickly as light and went seven times round the world in one second.

Of course, this phenomenal speed has its drawbacks. It interferes with world communication so far, but when we can eliminate the "echo," communication between continents will be very easy with cheaper, better and simpler wireless.

"Micro-waves mean the discovery of a trap-door through the ether, a belt of comparative silence, outside the range of the long and short waves. Because of this the micro-waves achieve clear reception.

"I want to bring the whole world together. I want people to communicate all over the world."

I realised then the importance of what Marconi had demonstrated. Soon Marconi will be able to eliminate the "echo," which is the only obstacle in the path of his discovery.

Unused Ether Route

As soon as the power of his discovery can be harnessed communication from the ends of the earth will be so quick and sure

that it will be possible for a man sitting in his office in London to get Tokyo, San Francisco, Brisbane, California, Berlin, Moscow in a matter of seconds, and speak to them as easily and almost as cheaply as he can to his suburban home.

Marconi has accomplished this miracle by utilising the micro-wave. Sound is transmitted on a wave length of one metre—a route through the ether at present completely unused.

Thus ends six long years of tireless research. Night after night, when his family has retired to rest, Marconi has remained awake in his laboratory working on his experiments.

Two years ago he told the world that he was on the brink of a new discovery of supreme importance. A year later he said he was nearer his goal. To-day he is a man on the brink of success.

Wife's Vigilance

His beautiful wife, the Marchesa, has watched his tireless efforts.

She has guarded him and his work during the greater period of the experiment. No one has been allowed to come on the yacht and interfere during his hard work.

"It has been a trying period," she said to me with a charming smile. "For weeks I have never been out to a dinner party."

"Our social life has necessarily been restricted. My husband sleeps on board in his laboratory while I stay with our little girl, Elettra, in an hotel on shore.

"Still, it has all been worth while."

Susan Calls Out The Brigade

New York, Dec. 21.

SUSAN BRONSTEIN is four, and a New Yorker.

New Yorkers, as all the world knows, are nothing if not enterprising.

Susan's great passion in life is fire engines.

New York's fire engines are particularly thrilling. They are large and swift and they bully their way through the streets with a shrieking of sirens which is music to the ears—at four.

When Susan has a wish Susan translates it into action. She wished to see the fire engines.

So solemnly, she left her home with a wooden box tucked under her arm. She stopped at a fire alarm, raised the wooden box, struck and saw the glass shatter on the sidewalk.

Her wish was fulfilled. The fire engines came.

So did a large policeman, who collected the entranced Susan, still standing by the shattered alarm, gave her a severe lecture, and took her home.



M. Titulescu, former Foreign Secretary in Rumania, who was lying seriously ill at St. Moritz, photographed for the first time after his recovery. He is seen leaving his hotel for the Riviera, where he hopes to be able to completely recover his health.

ESCAPED FROM WAR PRISON CAMPS

By A Special Correspondent

London, Dec. 18.

The Dinner: Officer Prisoners of War Dining Club. The Banqueting Hall: Park Lane Hotel.

Eighteen years on each side. It is the year 1918 to which the roots of this dinner club go down.

In the German prison camp at Holzminden at that time were a number of Englishmen who determined to escape.

For 10 months they tunnelled 50 yards under the walls, using a trowel, a chisel, and their bare hands, 20 of them escaped. First away was Lieutenant W. E. Butler, 13th away was Air Commodore C. E. H. Rathborne.

Rathborne, fluent German talker, calmly walked to the railway station, took a ticket to the Dutch border, 150 miles away. In 12 hours he was in Holland, where he sent a postcard to the German commandant at Holzminden, "Thanks for the holiday. See you after the war."

Only 10 of the 20 got right away. Butler was among the 10 who were recaptured.

Anyway, the Holzmindeners dined together when the war was over, and it was from that first reunion that this club of officer prisoners of war, those who escaped and those who didn't was formed, and from which the big horseshoe table last night had its inspiration.

Rathborne was in the chair. Butler, short, slim, alert, was on my right. He told me how it was he failed to make the Dutch frontier. He trumped part of the 150 miles, cycled the rest on a machine he stole. His food was green apples from trees lining the roads.

An innocent-looking brook was his downfall when he was within a few miles of safety. Thirsty, he drank from it. It was rank. Soon he wobbled and fell. A little later two electric light beams were flashed in his face by a German policeman.

So back to Holzminden, where they fined him 400 francs for stealing the bicycle.

Surprise of the evening was the appearance of Major H. W. Boehm-Tettelbach, German army (retired), who was found staying in the hotel. He was a prisoner of war—at Donington Park, Derbyshire. The English ex-prisoners of war brought him down "for a glass of port," and were upstanding as he joined them.

GIVE 'EM PARSON'S IDEA FOR A CHURCH REVIVAL

Sydney, Dec. 21.

Religion to-day is wishy-washy, sloppy and insipid, said Rev. N. Kivell, of the City Temple of Christ, Sydney, at a rally of ministers held here.

"If we could put hell into some church members, and into some ministers," he added, "religion would get somewhere."

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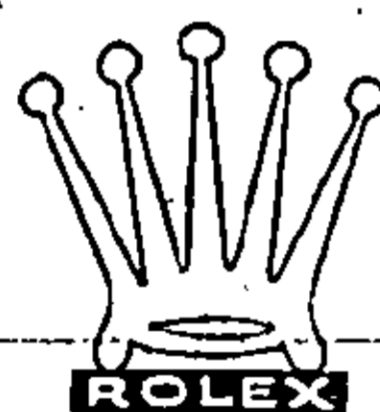
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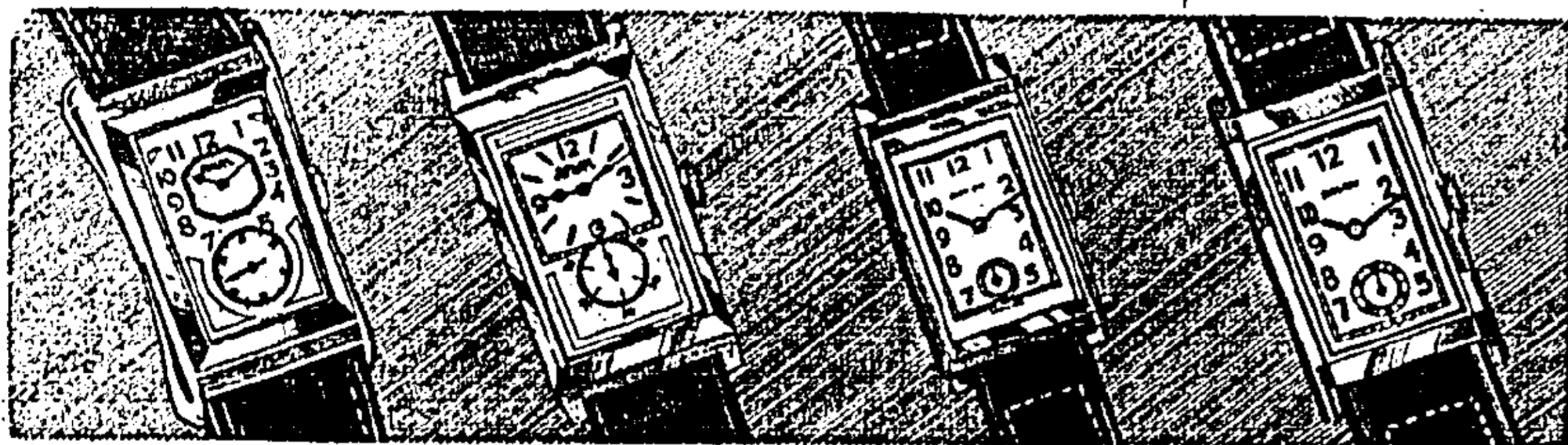
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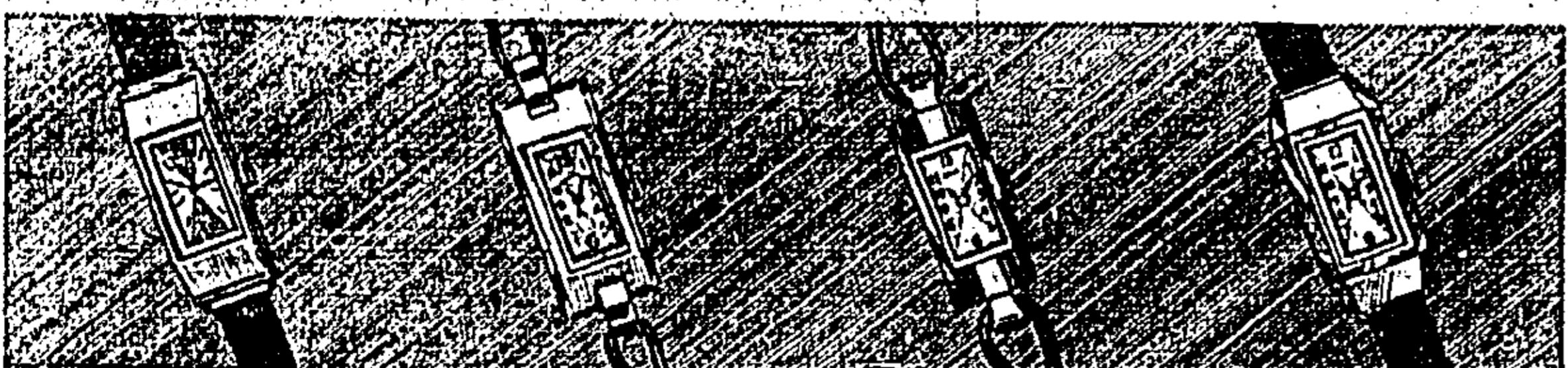


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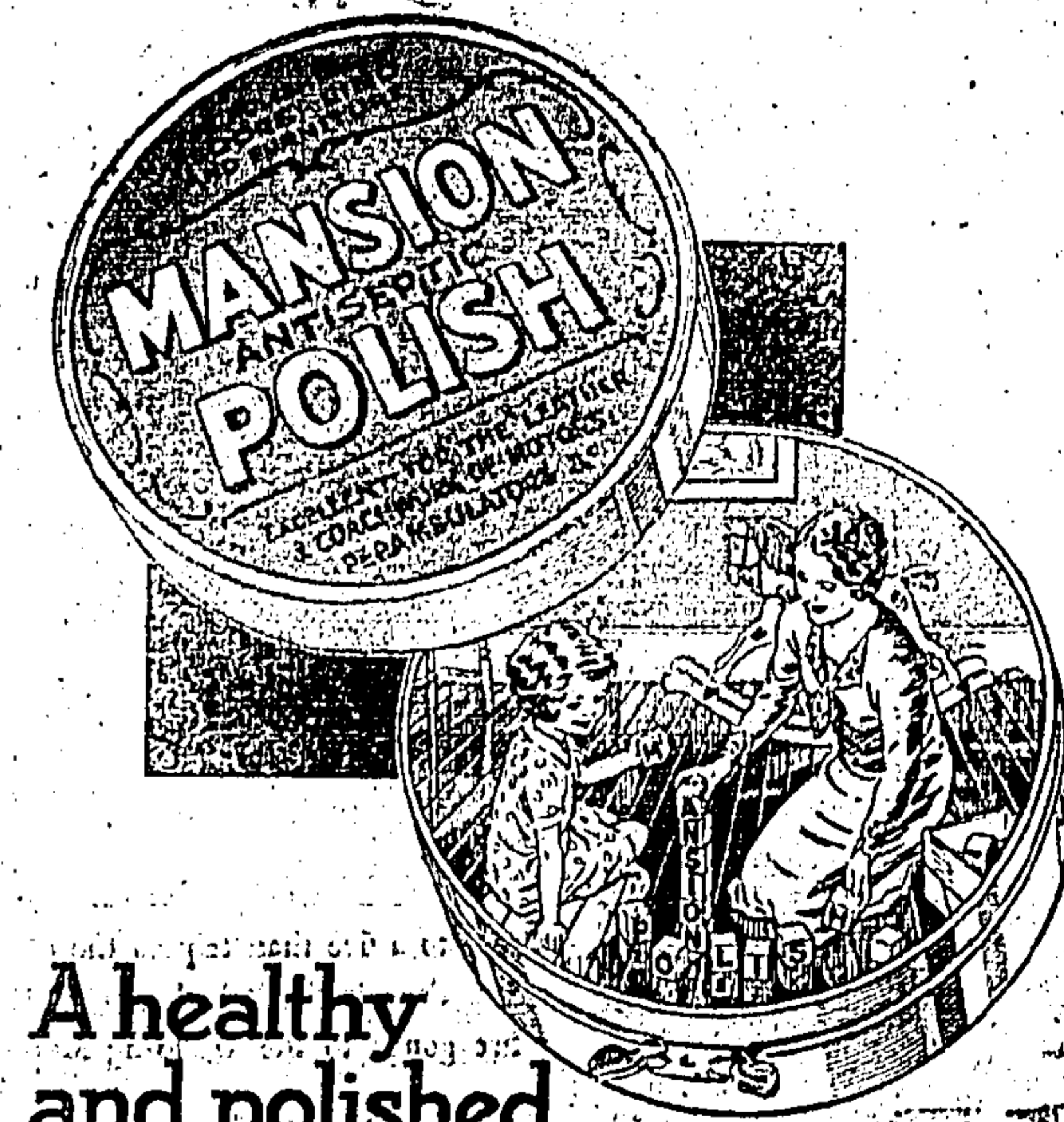
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Yesterday morning a British Police officer, a Chinese policeman in plain-clothes and a number of coolies visited the house and asked the inmates to move out. But they refused stating that negotiations were still going on between the Canton Government and British officials and they had the assurance of the Canton Government that they could wait for the outcome of the discussion. The

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Police went away after removing a few of the tiles and placing the furniture outside the house.

One of the inhabitants subsequently telephoned to Mr. Phillip Tsui, Special Delegate of the Foreign Office for Kwangtung and Kwangsi, asking for advice and was told that the Chinese authorities had taken up the matter in the proper quarter

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and an amicable settlement was expected.

Delegates of the inhabitants intend to leave for Canton some time to-day, or in the near future, to lodge another complaint to the Canton Government in view of the expiration of the warning that they must move by Thursday.

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CINEMA NOTES

Combining realism with magnificent natural settings and a vital thrilling story, "For the Service," the Universal drama of pioneer scouts which is showing to-day at the Alhambra Theatre, is an unusually good film. Buck Jones gives an excellent performance as the valiant scout who rides the dangerous trails. Torn between duty to his country and pity for his captain's son, and youth unfitted for the harsh ways of the West, Buck tries to help the boy when he cringes in battle. He manages to protect him in his father's eyes. A massacre is instigated by a desperate band of criminals and the boy is sent by his father to lead scouts to the outlaw hideout to wipe them out. How Buck saves the boy from a coward's plight and brings this crisis in the history of the West to a brilliant conclusion, is the key to the forceful climax. Clifford Jones is convincing as the fear-crazed youth, Edward Keene, Fred Kohler, Ben Marion, Frank McGlynn, Sr., and Ben Corbett contribute praiseworthy performances. The picture was directed by Buck Jones from a story written by Isador Bernstein.

"Her Master's Voice"

That proverbial fear of one's mother-in-law and her tongue, which seems to have become a deeply-ingrained part of our national consciousness, together with the successful attempts of a middle-aged babbler to overcome it, furnish the theme of "Her Master's Voice," sparkling new comedy which, featuring Edward Everett Horton, Peggy Conklin, Laura Hope Crews, and Elizabeth Patterson, is showing at the Star Theatre to-day. Taken from Clare Kummer's successful Broadway stage play, "Her Master's Voice" is grand comedy. The combination of film fare offered in "Her Master's Voice" is a highly successful one; homey, "everyday" folks faced with the average man's problems, amusing comedy situations and brilliant dialogue have been blended into a picture which will appeal to every type of audience.

"White Fang"

The combined genius of Darryl F. Zanuck, producer, and Jack London, author, which resulted in the hit, "Call of the Wild," again is responsible for an outstanding film triumph in "White Fang," now at the Majestic Theatre. Michael Whalen and Joan Muir head the cast of this Twentieth Century production which also features Slim Summerville, Charles Winninger, the original "Cap'n Henry" of radio fame, John Carradine, Jane Darwell and Thomas Beck.

"Valiant Is The Word For Carrie"

The motion picture version of Barry Benefield's best-selling novel, "Valiant Is The Word For Carrie," which is showing to-day at the Alhambra Theatre, brings to the screen Gladys George, noted dramatic actress, supported by an elaborate cast. Miss George has been a stage actress for many years but did not attract the attention of Hollywood until she made a new record in New York last year by appearing in 700 successive performances of "Personality." She is an actress of great charm and ability and big things are expected for her by Hollywood. "Valiant Is The Word For Carrie" is the story of Carrie Snyder, a woman frowned upon by

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Mar.	12.51/52	12.35/35
May	12.41/42	12.25/25
July	12.34/34	12.18/18
Oct.	12.04/04	11.70/70
Spot	13.11	12.00

New York Rubber

Mar.	23.20/20	22.35/40
May	22.92/94	22.20/22
July	22.50/50	21.94/94
Sept.	22.38/40	21.94/95
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July	118 1/2/118 1/2	115 1/2/115 1/2
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Chicago Corn

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Sept.	100 1/2/101	99 3/4/99 3/4

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May	105 1/4/105 1/4	103 1/4/103 1/4
July	102 1/2/103	102 1/2/102 1/2

Winnipeg Wheat

Dec.	127 1/2/127 1/2	127 1/2/127 1/2
May	120 1/2/120 1/2	127 1/2/127 1/2

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"Things Are Looking Up"

Circus queen, tennis champion, schoolmistress, whatever it is may be all the same to Cicely Courtneidge in "Things Are Looking Up," which is showing to-day at the King's Theatre. And all because her twin sister, mistress at a girl's college, falls in love and elopes with the all-in wrestler from the circus. As the sister is in direct succession for

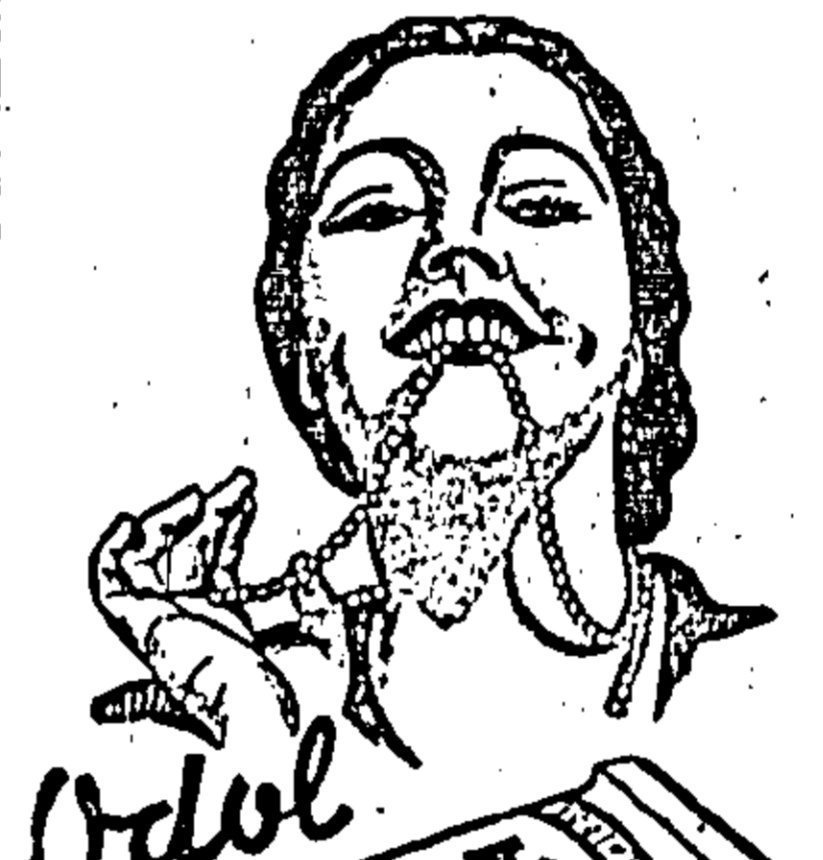
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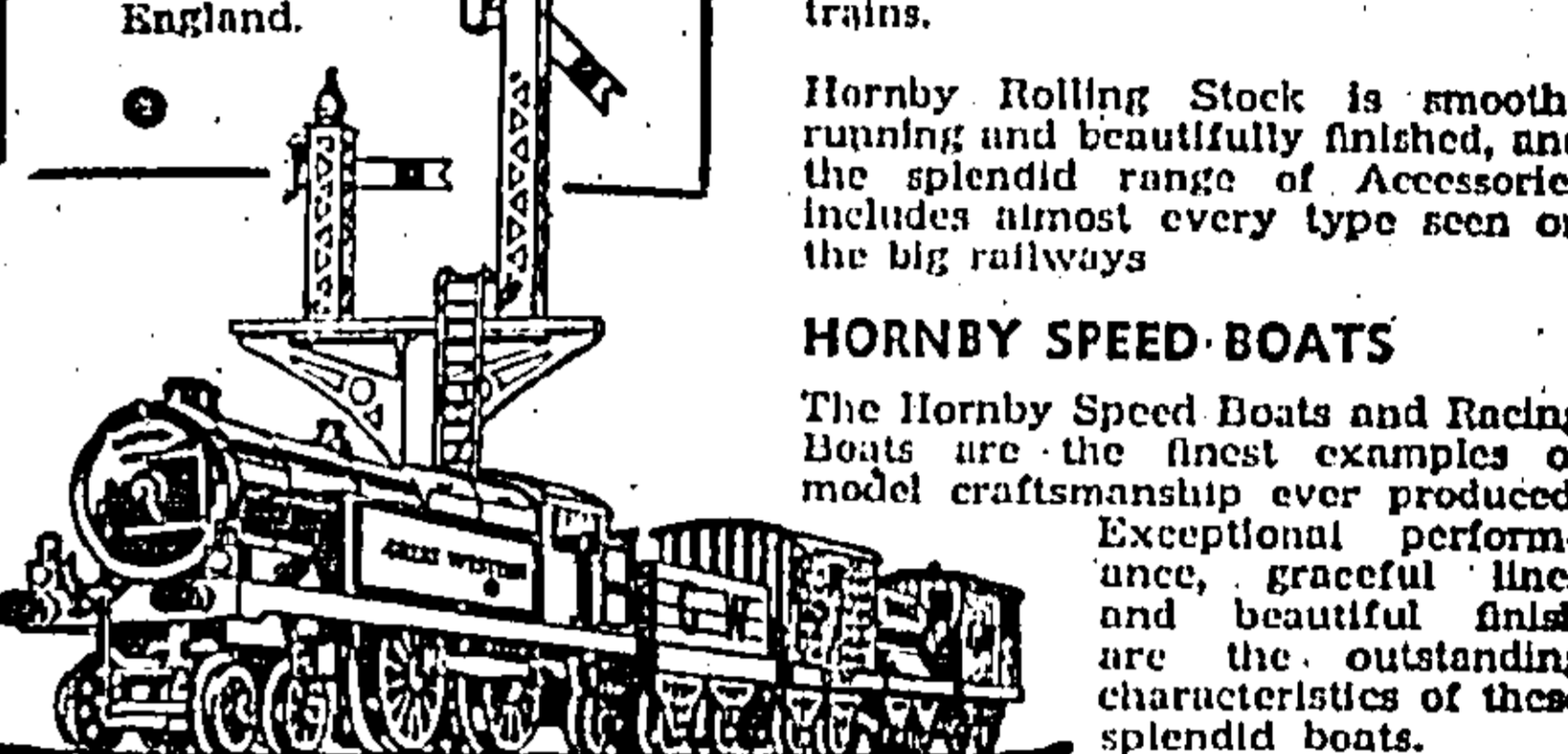
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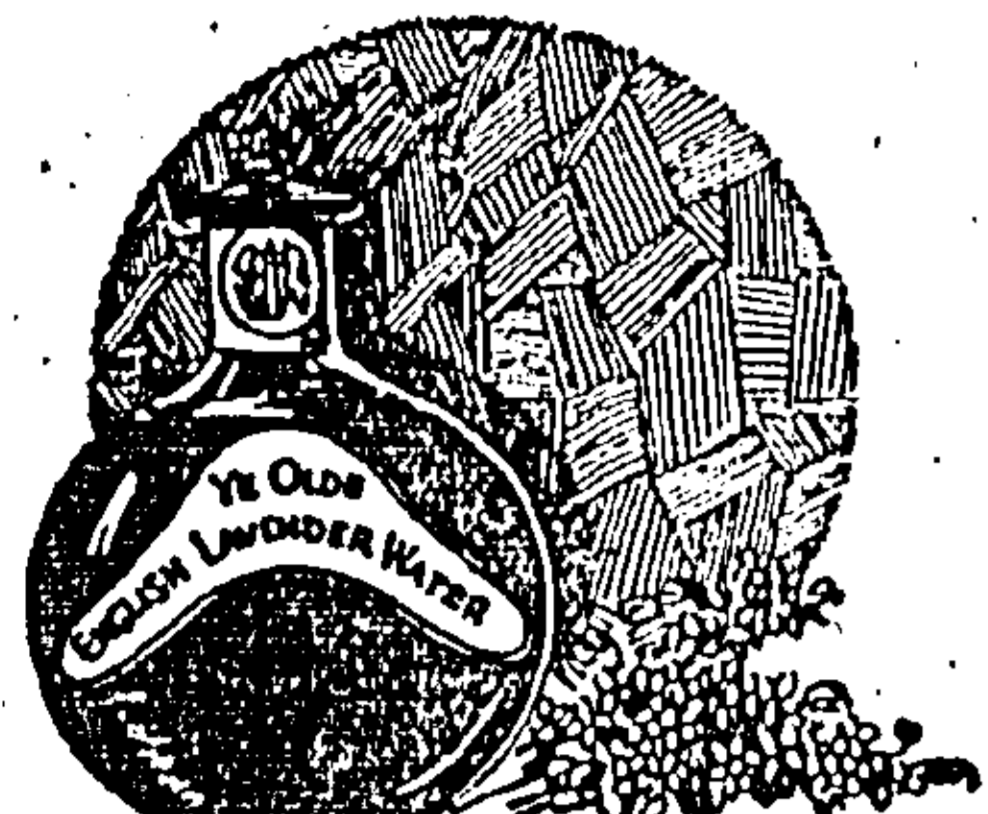
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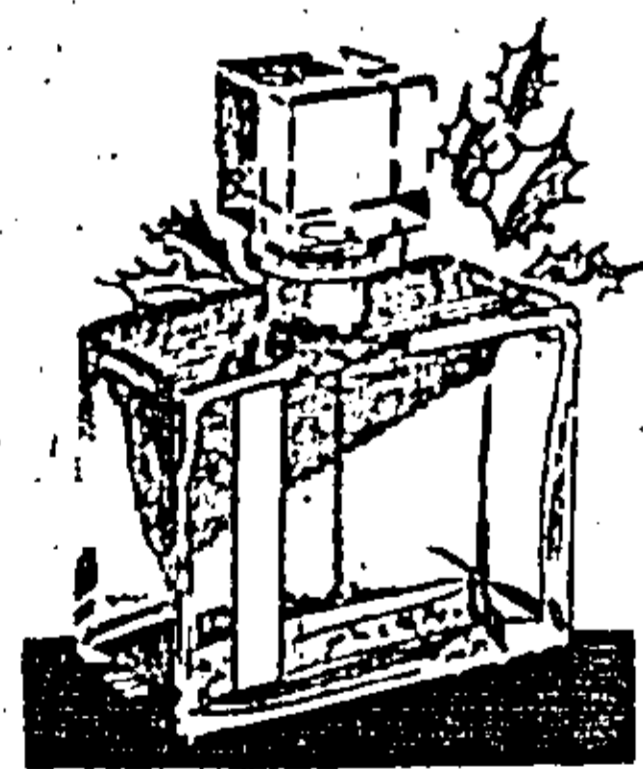
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ROJDESTVIN.—Captain N. A. Rojdestvin, died after a short illness in Kowloon Hospital, at 1 a.m., 30th December, 1936. (Shanghai Newspapers please copy).

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1936.

TRADE AND TARIFFS

Canada and the United Kingdom are negotiating for revision of the Ottawa agreement which governs their trade relations. Mainly, the desire for reform arose in Great Britain, following the Canadian trade accord with the United States. It is the contention of the United Kingdom that the Canadian-American treaty has the effect of nullifying the preferential advantages which were the basis of the Ottawa agreement; and that is probably true. Britain, in short, wants a "guarantee margin" of preference.

If the case for the United Kingdom appears sound, that for the Dominion is scarcely less reasonable. And probably it would be wise to mention, at this juncture, that whereas the Canadian Government which approved the Ottawa agreement was of the Conservative persuasion, the "perpetrators" of the Canadian-American reciprocal treaty were Liberals. To many these acts by the immediately-past and present Governments in Canada reflect the chief political difference of the major parties. It is a political difference which is completely economic.

To go back to the Canadian argument for reciprocity, we must point out that America is Canada's best customer. And since politics are pretty closely bound up with trade, and the first axiom of trade, as in any business, is to please one's customer, it becomes apparent that the Dominion may well be torn between the desire to favour Britain, for sentimental as well as more practical reasons, and the equally strong impulse to avoid offending the United States—whence comes so much of her income.

The average *ad valorem* rate of duty on dutiable United Kingdom products is 26.74; on American products 26.29. But it seems to have made little difference that the American trade should benefit, in the average, by a fraction of one per cent. Canada imported \$55,967,230 of British dutiable goods last year, on which she collected \$14,966,000; to American traders she

What bores this dieting craze
can make of us all! Why not—

EAT—and be MERRY!

"I EAT what I like and
drink what I like,"
explained Charles
Keene's cheery octogenarian
in a "Punch" of the 'eighties
"and then I go to bed and
let 'em fight it out among
'emselves!"

But the old hedonist came of a more philosophic and less neurotic generation which still regarded meal-times as occasions for the expression of happiness instead of hypochondria, of festivity rather than of fads.

He lived in golden days when it was the board that groaned and not the people round it.

Cooking was plainer and better, dietetics were in their infancy, and slimming was a matter more of accident than design, concerned with stay-laces rather than with stinting.

Genial Interlude

YET the world went fairly well then, and grown-ups as well as children thanked Heaven for their good dinners and actually enjoyed the kindly fruits of the earth at meal-times, which presented, in consequence, a happy combination of these material concomitants with a feast of reason and a flow of soul.

Not that mere gluttony ever connoted gaiety, nor was it necessarily the outcome of wine-bibbing; but our fathers ate and drank more cheerfully than we do and looked on a hearty breakfast as the normal prelude to a sound day's work, in which lunch was a genial interlude and not just an interval for refuelling, and to which a simple, well-cooked dinner was the appropriate *envoi*.

But in our more sophisticated days all the 'ices—dietetics, ethics, economics, politics, and even athletics—have invaded the menu.

Dietetics dictate the bill-of-fare, Ethics the alcoholic content of the drinks, Economics rule the price and quality of the food, and Politics its nature and origin—for milk and meat have their Boards to-day—and Athletics, no longer a relaxation but an end in themselves, impose prohibitions on all ages and both sexes.

How often does one hear: "I daren't eat this, I must never touch that, because it affects my swing or my short game, my singles play, my high dive, or my wind over hurdles." (Cricketers, it should be noted, are of all athletes the most immune from food-fads).

Dinner has come to be eaten almost apologetically and with a picky reserve, and as to liquids, the kindly gastric juices are too frequently flooded with tepid water.

Folk-lunches have imported the hustle of the quick-lunch counter into private hospitality. Malnutrition, on which medical pundits are now so busy lecturing us, is the result not so much of

paid \$189,838,436 for which she took duty of \$49,902,003.

In 1929-30, when the conditions were reversed, and the average *ad valorem* duty was 25.46 to Britain and only 23.34 to the United States, British exports to Canada were \$148,643,048 (duty \$37,846,167), American \$523,299,322 (duty \$122,122,853). In these figures rests Canada's case.

We agree that Canada's favourable trade balance with Britain is \$204,560,000 as against one of only \$52,648,000 with the United States, and that the income from tariffs is not the only sort of duty Canada should consider when dealing with her Motherland. Just the same, we can see the logic of the argument of the Ottawa Govern-

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scarcity or profiteering (sound foodstuffs have never been cheaper or more plentiful) as of sheer laziness and a widespread proneness to perpetual hustle.

Of prevalent fads vegetarianism is, of course, the oldest-established, but it is interesting to reflect that if men had never tasted flesh they might still be chattering in the tree-tops.

Fruitarianism is another reactionary cult. Our first parents were fruitarians until Adam invented agriculture and Eve the Textile Industry, when their progressive labours resulted in a healthier human appetite demanding a more sustaining diet.

Kills Sociability

AND so to-day a home-grown apple, eaten raw first thing or decently cooked as an item in almost any meal, is still a prize fit for a twentieth-century Venus.

Selection and moderation are one thing, but a deliberate abstention from food by women from motives of vanity and fashion is another.

As a direct cause of tuberculosis—the deadliest disease of modern supercivilisation—this should be punishable as a crime against Public Health.

The ladies of an earlier age considered eating ill-bred, unhealthy, and unsprightly, and succeeded in making good food

disgusting to themselves. This bred "the vapours" (now disguised as "temperament").

As a result the graph of tuberculosis cases among women shows an upward curve.

Moreover, whatever form food-fads may take, their prevalence tends to kill sociability and good table-talk.

Slimmers and dietists alike are too preoccupied for the amenities of conversation and their preoccupation is inimical to the proper social influence of good food.

Wisely and Well

FANNY BURNEY and Lady Holland talked and ate with equal zest; Dr. Johnson was at his best with a plate of veal and prunes, as was Coleridge over Devonshire apple-dumplings, Wordsworth in front of a joint of Westmorland mutton, or Charles Lamb before a second helping of hare.

Let us do our best, therefore, to perpetuate this great tradition, and dine and talk wisely and well, abjuring faddishness as anti-social and unhygienic.

A meal to-night, for instance, of grilled trout, lamb cutlets and new potatoes, or ducklings and green peas, topped-up with new-gathered strawberries or some peaches warm from the wall and washed down by a sufficiency of a well-chosen '29 hock should evoke our happiest converse and send us to bed at peace without and, unlike Charles Keene's old gentleman, within as well.

NO CHRISTMAS—BY ORDER

CELEBRATION of Christmas was once forbidden for sixteen years by the House of Commons—during Cromwell's time.

Over in Norway the farmers give their cattle a tub of home-brewed ale on Christmas Eve.

In Madrid at 12 midnight on Christmas Eve everyone eats twelve grapes for good luck during the coming year.

The most famous Christmas present in the world is "Alice in Wonderland"—written by Lewis Carroll—as a gift for a little girl's stocking.

Throughout Hungary at Christmas time collections are levied on the richer citizens to buy food and drink for the poor for no one must go hungry during Christmas celebrations.

The exact date of Christ's birth is not known and Christmas has been celebrated on more than 100 different days throughout the world. Pope Julius I, in the year 351, decreed that Christmas Day should be December 25.

In Shakespeare's time Christmas festivities lasted for twelve days—and no one did a stroke of work during them. Merrie England with a vengeance!

There are 175 different kinds of holly in the world. Ellis Parker, detective in New Jersey, is swamped each year by a shoal of Christmas cards sent him by prisoners he has sent to gaol.

BAD HABITS AT BRIDGE

Thousands play bridge—thousands more think they do. Some now play contract, but the vast majority steadfastly continue to play auction—merely using the contract scoring. This serves the dual purpose of making them feel up-to-date and removing any necessity for extra thought, such as might be needed if really learning contract.

Whatever brand of bridge they play, the growth of certain distressing habits seems to be spreading among the great rank and file of players.

Why, for instance, do so many people find it necessary continually to fiddle with their cards, passing them backwards and forwards between their fingers all the time they are playing? They give the impression they are always looking for some kind of super-ace of trumps—so far uninvited—which they suspect is secreted in their hand.

Just Nerves

If they arrange their hand in a fan they don't need to move it again. They can see everything in it, including what isn't in it, painfully plainly. Any further fiddling about

must just be nervousness, and it becomes very tedious for others.

Then why do some players apparently grip their cards in a vice-like grasp, necessitating a terrible tug from the other hand to extract any card, and frequently causing an extra one to fall as well? It's a funny habit.

Some conscientious souls solemnly count their cards after receiving them, and generally in an audible voice. Carefulness in checking things can be carried too far; the deal is rarely wrong without being noticed by someone. Why waste time? The "counters" are usually not renowned for arranging their hands quickly in any case.

The Smouldering Cigarette

Smoking seems inseparable from bridge, but we would all rather be without the person who lights a cigarette and then lays it on the ash tray to smoulder till it burns away. The smell of a smouldering cigarette is not a pleasant one. The smoke from table-level generally gets into other people's eyes, and mouths are meant to hold cigarettes anyway.

Another unpleasant little trick some have is of accusing their

Walking Makes Men Think

HAVE you ever noticed how apt you are to walk when you are under the stress of some violent emotion?

The worried husband paces up and down with a final notice in his hand; the anxious lover moves restlessly while he awaits his tardy lady; and the fearful patient in a dentist's waiting-room can not sit still.

Walking, they find, has a soothing effect on the turmoil for their mind, and unwittingly they have stumbled on the real secret of the walkers of history.

Walking is always conducive to thought, Buddha himself used to "walk in meditation on the lawn of the peacocks." St. Paul was another who walked on his last visit to Jerusalem, "for so had he appointed, minding himself to go on foot."

The famous philosophic school founded by Aristotle is called still the Peripatetic school, a name given from the Greek *peripatēin* "to walk about." The term arose either from Aristotle's own habit of walking up and down as he delivered his lectures or from the porch of the Lyceum along which the pupils and their master used to stroll.

Achilles used to walk by the side of the grey sea and bemoan his sad lot, for he knew he was fated not to return alive from the siege of Troy.

Shut Out

Rousseau, to come to more modern times, was a great walker. In fact, the whole French Revolution might almost be said to have been caused by one of his walks.

When he was serving as an apprentice to an engraver in Geneva he went out one Sunday evening for his usual walk in the country. At the time Geneva was surrounded by a wall. The gates were shut every night at eight o'clock. Rousseau was late by a few seconds, actually in sight of the gates, when the officer in charge shut them.

As he had already suffered for being late he decided not to face the beating that awaited him, and started off that same night on the tour of wandering and vagabondage which made the prophet of the French Revolution.

Later Rousseau wrote his "Confessions." In them he said that if he had not been left outside that night he would have probably been a happy and contented citizen. He also said, "What I regret most is that I kept no record of my Journeyings. Never have I thought so much, existed so much, been so much myself, if I may dare to say it, as when I went alone and afoot."

Another famous walk is the march of Napoleon to Moscow, which was one of the main causes of his downfall.

Xenophon and ten thousand Greeks once marched right through Asia Minor with an enemy army twenty times their size waiting to attack them.

March to Lucknow

In India the British Army's most famous march was to the relief of Lucknow, when the relieving troops marched over thirty miles a day.

In comparatively recent times many of the philosophical essayists have found in walking comfort and solace. Emerson and Thoreau were both great walkers, and Carlyle once walked from Muirkirk to Dumfries, a distance of fifty-four miles, in a single day.

Wordsworth was always trying to find the secret of that strange solace he found in Nature, and his friend Coleridge was agreed by his contemporaries to be the perfect companion on a long walk.

Hazlitt wrote an essay, "On Going on a Journey," which Robert Louis Stevenson thought so much of that he said a tax should be put on all who had not read it. Stevenson, who himself used to tramp in the South of France with a donkey to carry his pack, agreed with Hazlitt that truly to appreciate a walk the traveller should walk alone. He also mentions the solace to be found in walking.

When walking has been for so many centuries a philosophical exercise, it is a pity that it has been degraded in modern times into that cross between a paper chase and a fancy dress parade known as hiking.

When they've gone "one down" several successive times. They don't have to go any higher than their hand warrants. Maybe they were doing the boosting!

All things considered, there is quite enough bad temper generated at bridge by the actual play alone without adding to it by irritating little personal mannerisms which are quite needless. Everyone knows people who have these annoying habits, but they never have any themselves. They might get a shock if they knew what their opponents' and partners' opinions were.

L. S. P.

Sultan's Sons Take Home Gifts Bought At A Sixpenny Store

"HOME"—HER LAST WISH

New York, Dec. 21. Mrs. THOMAS WHITTEN left London 70 years ago, because she died last night, left instructions that her ashes be taken to London for burial.

She was 91, retired in 1928, because her voice failed her. Since then she had lived in a farmhouse. Mrs. Whitten established a record in U.S.A. by playing 400 roles in her 63 years on the stage.

Sent Home 26,000 Insects

WOMAN'S TRIP IN THE JUNGLE

Sydney, Dec. 21. An Englishwoman who has just spent ten months in the New Guinea jungle, with natives as her only companions, is on her way back to London.

She is Miss L. E. Cheesman, an entomologist. During her New Guinea trip she sent back to the British Museum 300 fish, 500 reptiles, and 26,000 insects.

She had with her three native carriers and four camp boys.

But Miss Cheesman treated the dangers of the jungle as just part of her job. For her the biggest thrill was finding a new or rare specimen.

AIR MINISTRY PLANS STOLEN Document Taken From Motor Car

London, Dec. 21. SCOTLAND YARD detectives were last night investigating two remarkable robberies—the theft of secret Air Ministry plans from a car and an unnoticed attack on a diamond dealer in a taxicab by three men who slit his pocket and escaped with £720 worth of valuables.

Motor thieves who rifled an unattended car in Warwick Road, Kensington, included in their booty confidential Air Ministry plans and drawings described as "of the Bristol Aircraft Company."

The documents were in a brown leather satchel left beside four suitcases, which contained articles valued at about £150. The thieves also stole a five-valve radio set in a red leather case.

The property belonged to Mr. G. Redmond, of North Road, Bristol, who, it is understood, recently returned from a business trip to Japan.

THROWN AWAY? Throughout yesterday Scotland Yard detectives were searching for the documents. It is possible that they were thrown away by the thieves.

The West End of London is at present in the throes of an epidemic of thefts from cars, and this raid was

Murder Attempt To Save Pocket

London, Dec. 21. "THE unemployed in this country behave well and do not resort to acts of murder or attempted murder to save their pockets," Mr. Justice Singleton told a father who was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude at the Old Bailey for attempting to murder his baby daughter by throwing her over a railway bridge.

The man, John W. C. Stepany (24), a fine arts assistant, of Purcell Crescent, North Fulham, had pleaded "financial difficulties."

"Your counsel described it as a tragedy that of tragedy does not occur often through unemployment or any other cause," the judge continued.

"If I thought there was a danger of that I should pass an even longer sentence on you as a public warning. In view of your youth, the sentence is comparatively short."

Mr. G. B. McClure, prosecuting, said the child was put in the care of a foster-mother, who was paid 12s. 6d. a week, and on Nov. 9 Stepany had difficulty in making the payment and was angry.

"A MIRACLE?" The same evening a man crossing a bridge at Blackheath saw an empty pram and looking over the parapet noticed a bundle between the running rail and the live rail.

"You may think it is a miracle that the child is alive," said Mr. McClure. "A number of trains passed over the track on which the child was. She was under the live rail and sparks were appearing to strike through her."

Mr. Mervyn Griffith Jones, defending, appealing for leniency, said there could be no doubt that financial difficulties had preyed on Stepany to such an extent that when he committed the act he had lost his power of reason. He was a man of good character.

AND SUITS "OFF THE PEG"

LORRY FOR LUGGAGE

By GWYN LEWIS

CHAUFFEURS and taxicab drivers waiting idly in the courtyard of one of London's luxury hotels suddenly sat up astonished.

They saw a procession of servants carrying fifteen steaming pots emerge from the hotel. An aroma of curried chicken filled the courtyard.

The pots were presently placed in a van which drove off with one of the servants as escort.

Onlookers to this strange scene did not know that a sultan and his sons were about to leave for the Far East, taking with them ready cooked food for the early stages of the journey.

It was in this fashion that the 75-year-old Sultan of Selangor, recipient of £15,000 a year, ruler of half a million people and 3,150 square miles of the richest territory in the Empire, left for his kingdom in Malaya last week.

The sultan has been staying at Grosvenor House, Park-lane, W., since the beginning of October.

FAVOURITE WIFE

The sultan came with a court of twenty-four, including Queen Anjong, favourite of his four wives, and seven of his 43 children.

There were extraordinary happenings during the days that were spent packing for the voyage home.

The aged sultan and his young and beautiful wife developed a liking for English poultry for dinner, but to conform with the requirements of the Mohammedan faith it was necessary to keep live birds at the hotel. Coops were prepared for them in the kitchen yard. The crowing of cockerels in the heart of the West End mystified Park-lane residents.

The birds were killed and prepared for the table by the sultan's own chefs from Selangor.

It was decided to make a curry of the birds that remained when the sultan announced the date of his departure.

PACKED IN CARPET

His six sons and other members of the party bought a large quantity of presents at a sixpenny bazaar. They also bought ready-made clothing at a firm of multiple tailors.

Purchases at the bazaar ranged from kitchen utensils to wearing apparel, toys and toilet requisites.

Despite the fact that 100 trunks and boxes had been brought from Malaya, it was found that many more were wanted.

Sons of the sultan descended on two trunk stores in Edgware-road and Strand-street.

They bought twenty trunks, suitcases and portable wardrobes. Packing had been nearly completed when it was discovered that there was no room for the kitchen utensils.

They were packed in a large carpet destined to decorate a room in the sultan's palace. When this strange parcel had been secured with ropes two men carried it to the motor lorry that was required in addition to the hotel omnibus to convey the luggage to the station.

"Marry or Die"

Saint-Nazaire, France, Dec. 15. Mme. Costes, a widow who runs a tobaccoist's shop here, has discovered that it is not always fun to be wealthy.

She recently came into £30,000, and now she is inundated with letters, which arrive in piles by every post, from "admirers" who wish to marry her.

This would not be so bad were it not for the fact that some of her would-be husbands have threatened her with death if she does not accept their marriage proposals.

Now gendarmes guard her house, and Mme. Costes is afraid that she may have to give up her business and to take refuge in another part of France.—Reuter.

Wrong Man Summoned COURT TO INVESTIGATE A "TERRIBLE MISTAKE"

London, Dec. 21. A YOUNG woman went into the witness-box at the Westminster Petty Sessions to-day and told the magistrates that a man before the court answering a summons alleging him to be the father of her child was a complete stranger to her, and was not the person she had intended to summon.

She was Margaret Mercer, of Malpas-drive, Pinner.

The man, Edwin Robert James, who, it was stated, was a native of Wiltshire, was told by the chairman that he would leave the court without the slightest reflection of any kind on his character, and that the Bench regretted the anxiety the matter must have caused him and his wife.

Mr. C. E. Hay Reckitt, who appeared for the woman, said that the original summons was made out against a man named Edwin or Edward James, of New Cross, who was a railway guard. The man before the court was employed by the L.P.T.B. as a porter.

The original summons could not be served, and he understood that following activities by a private detective agency, the summons was finally served by a Wiltshire warrant officer on the man now before the court.

WIFE'S NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

Mr. J. A. Morley, for Edwin Robert James, said it was obvious that some terrible mistake had been made. James was married four days after the complainant's child was born, and his wife had had a nervous breakdown as a result of the allegations against him.

The Chairman, Mr. A. Dugdale, dismissing the summons, said the court intended to get to the bottom of the mystery because of the injustice, suffering and hardship that had been inflicted on James.

Rudy Vallee's Loss

New York, Dec. 15. Rudy Vallee, famed crooner band leader, wept when told to-day that his former wife, Fay Webb, was dead. His one time "dream girl" succumbed to peritonitis at the Santa Monica Hospital late last night at the age of 28.

This exotic Californian beauty gave up a promising screen career to marry Vallee in 1931. She visited Reno the following year, but returned to her husband, saying: "I was a little fool ever to think of divorce." Then tempestuous litigation in several States ended in divorce.

Fay's father said to-day: "The girl died with a smile on her lips because Vallee wired that he had always loved her."

U.S.A. Slavery Charge

PAUL PEACHER, planter and town marshal of Earle, Arkansas, will go on trial in the Federal Court at Jonesboro this month.

He is charged with "aiding and abetting in causing persons to be held as slaves," and with falsely arresting eight negroes and working them on his East Arkansas estate last spring, during a cotton choppers' strike.

Peacher is the first person indicted under the post Civil War Anti-Slavery legislation of 1860.

DEADLY NEW GASES

Latest German Products

New and deadly gases now being made in Germany were described to the annual meeting of the British Association of Chemists in London recently by Mr. H. T. F. Rhodes, Editor of the "Chemical Practitioner."

The new gases, said Mr. Rhodes, were particularly the chlor-arsenic type, of which a concentration of less than one thousandth of an ounce per cubic yard was intolerable and quickly fatal.

Lachrymators, lung-irritants, vesicants, and arsenical smokes were being made more and more efficient.

Mr. Rhodes also held out hope of an effective means of frustrating air raiders.

High frequency rays projected to sufficient distances, he said, could bring down a fleet of aeroplanes carrying bombs and gas.

What was wanted, however, for we were off such a thing—was a barrage of rays for the protection of civilised countries. Nothing else would stop the modern aeroplane fleet.

Mr. Rhodes recalled that in simultaneous experiments on the Lake of Geneva, and in England in 1931, the mechanism of a clock had, at a minimum of 100 yards, been completely disorganised by the impact of high frequency rays.

As far as he knew, no means of protection over long distances had been achieved, but it might well be that the perfection of this invention might save civilisation from complete annihilation.

All this was advanced by Mr. Rhodes in enforcement of a plea that while countries should chemically and physically remain for their own protection. There were certain Governments and perhaps peoples in Europe, he said, whose moral and ethical standards had degenerated to those of Neolithic man. They were more dangerous because armed with scientific means of destruction unparalleled in the world's history.

RADIO BROADCAST

Fifth Talk on Early Days of Cricket

DANCE MUSIC

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a Wavelength of 355 metres (845 k.c.s.), 31.40 metres (9.52 megacycles).

12.30 p.m. Vocal Excerpts from Opera.

1 p.m. Time and Weather.

1.03 p.m. Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Reuter Press, Rugby Press, Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Flanagan and Allen (Humorous).

1.53 p.m. The Ballyhooligans

2.15 p.m. Close Down

5 p.m. A Relay of Dance Music from the Hongkong Hotel Roof-Garden.

6 p.m. Studio—Children's Concert.

6.30 p.m. A Light Concert.

Soprano Solo—A Summer Night (Marzials and Goring Thomas).... Doria Vance, Tenor—Aethere (Bingham, Trotter).... Frank Titterton; Violin Solo—Liebesfreud (Love's Joy).... (Kreiser).... Fritz Kreiser; Contralto Solo—My Ain Folk (Lemon, Mills).... Mary Kay; Tenor Solo—My dear soul (Sanderson).... Frank Titterton; Pianoforte Solo—Polka De W. R. (Reichmannoff).... Trolita en traineaux, Op. 37, No. 11, (In a three-horse sleigh) (Tchakovsky).... Sergei Rachmannoff; Tenor Solo—Oh! No John (arr. Sharp).... Frank Titterton.

7 p.m. The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

Villanelle (With the Swallow), (Dell'Acqua, arr. Winterbottom); Accumulations Waltz (Waldteufel); The Old Frog Pond (Characteristic), (Alford); "A Princess of Kensington" Selection (German); The Smithy in the wood (Michaels); Songs of Scotland (arr. Duthill).

7.30 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m. Three Songs by Francis Day (Soprano).

What is this thing? I'm a fool for loving you; You have that extra something.

7.45 p.m. From the Studio. The fifth of a series of talks on "The early days of Cricket" by R. Abbit.

8 p.m. Time, Weather, and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. From the Studio. A Chita Concert.

11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m. E. K. on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.05 n.m. Suite No. 2 in B minor for Flutes and Strings (Bach) by Willem Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

8.30 p.m. Operatic Gems.

"Oberon" (Weber)—Ocean, Du Ungeheuer (Ocean, thou mighty monster); Maria Nemeth (Soprano); "Faust" (Gounod)—Scene of the Edgill (Church Scene).... Maryse Beaujon, F. Bordon and Chorus; "Carmen" (Bizet)—Toreador's Song.... Trio: Riccardo Stracciari, A. Appoloni, E. Ticozzi and Chorus; "Barbier de Séville" (Rossini)—Largo al Factotum.... Riccardo Stracciari (Baritone).

8.55 p.m. London—News and Announcements.

9.15 p.m. A Variety Programme. Orchestra—Why couldn't it be poor little me.... Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Song—"Glamorous Night".... Mary Ellis (Soprano); Hawaiian—Sweet Home, Hawaii.... George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet; Vocal: Maybe I'm wrong again, Back to those happy days.... Leslie Hutchinson; Song—Solitude.... Lucienne Bover; (Soprano); Piano Duet—"Robert" Selection.... Arthur Young and Regina Forsythe; Song—Melody in Dawn.... Gracie Fields; Violin Solo—The Violin Song from "Tina".... Albert Sandler; Song—Lullaby of Broadway.... Dick Powell; Piano Solo—Charlie Kunz; Piano Medley, No. 10.... Charlie Kunz; Band—Rumba Medley.... Cuban Marimba Band; Vocal—Lazybones.... Layton and Johnstone.

10 n.m. London—Big Ben Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

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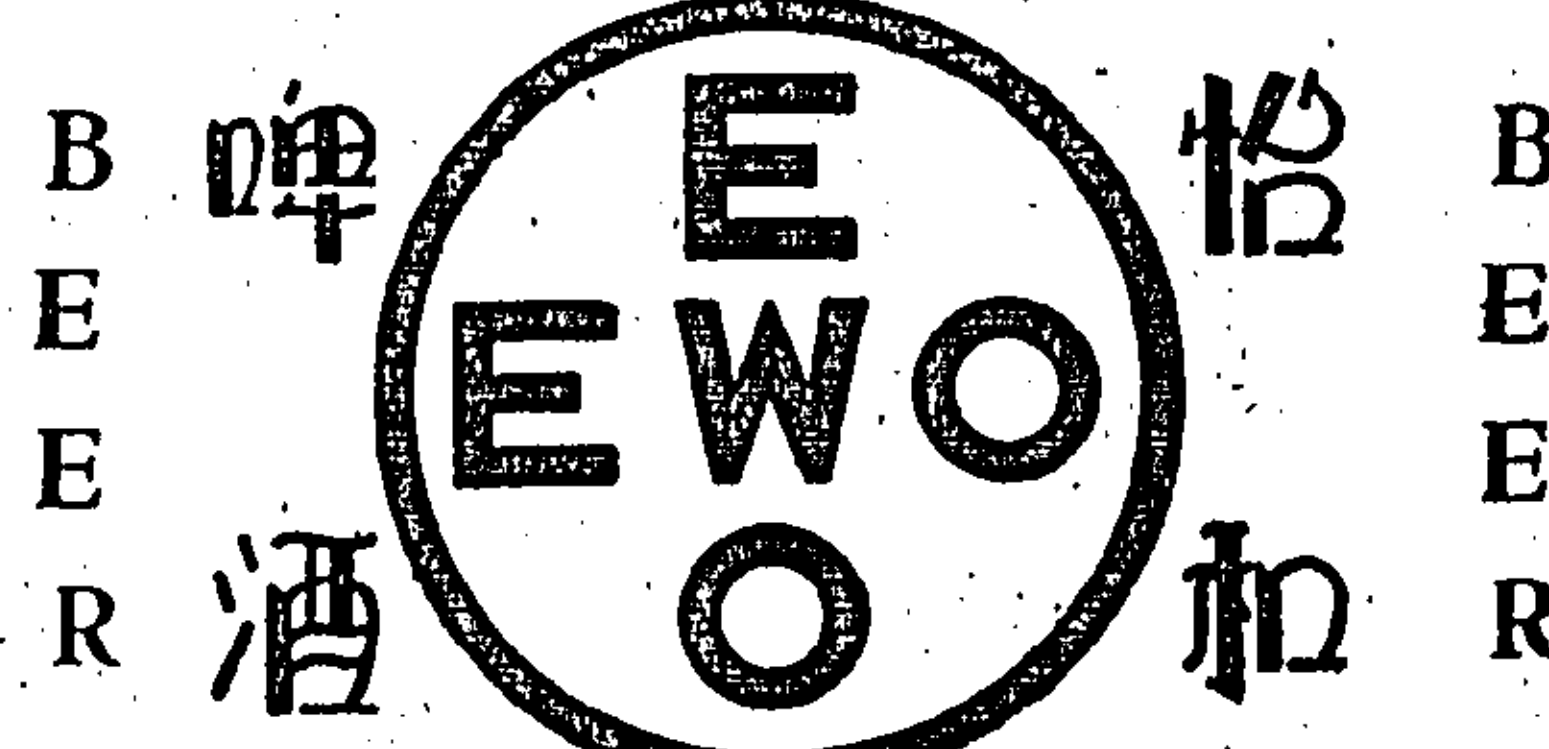
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PERRY AND VINES IN GREATEST TENNIS MATCH OF DECADE

NEXT WEDNESDAY'S THRILLER

(By "Veritas")

THE world of tennis will be on tip-toes come a week today. The greatest tennis match of the decade is being staged: a match which has aroused more interest, speculation and anticipatory excitement than any encounter among the world's leading players for many years. At Madison Square Gardens, Fred J. Perry, ex-amateur champion of the world meets Ellsworth H. Vines, present professional champion of the universe, and finally, after four years of futile speculation, the world will be able to satisfy itself as to which of the two is the finer player.

Current Form As Guide

SO much has been written and said about the relative merits of Vines

and Perry, that it has had the effect of creating two distinct bodies of opinion: those who pronounce that Perry, on his day, cannot be beaten by anybody in the world, and those who are equally emphatic concerning Vines' predominance over all his contemporaries. And while these opinions are based on current form they are entitled to due respect. It is only when partisans begin to insist on comparing the players of four and five years ago that one feels they are on false and unfair premises. The history of the Vines-Perry encounters during the former's days as an amateur player is interesting, but not particularly instructive as data for current form. It is true that Vines beat Perry four times in 1931 (on American courts), but if this is to have any significance, it should also be recalled that a year later Perry beat the young American in the Davis Cup Inter-Zone final in Paris, and that it was in 1932 that Perry became one of the world's foremost exponents.

Comparative Experiences

SINCE then Perry and Vines have never met in a competition match. Vines turned professional immediately after that fatal game with the Englishman, so that one's opinions as to the players must be based on performances since then in their respective spheres. This study immediately shows that although Vines has won the world's professional championship against an array of talent such as Nusslein, Tilden, Lester Stoecken, George Lott, Henri Cochet, and others, Perry has three times in succession captured the Blue Riband at Wimbledon in the face of a much more imposing galaxy of amateur "Stars". Not only this, but he has three times journeyed over to America during this period and carried off the U.S. title in the teeth of enormous opposition: he has won the Australian and French championships, and has remained unbeaten in the Davis Cup for three years.

Both At Their Peak

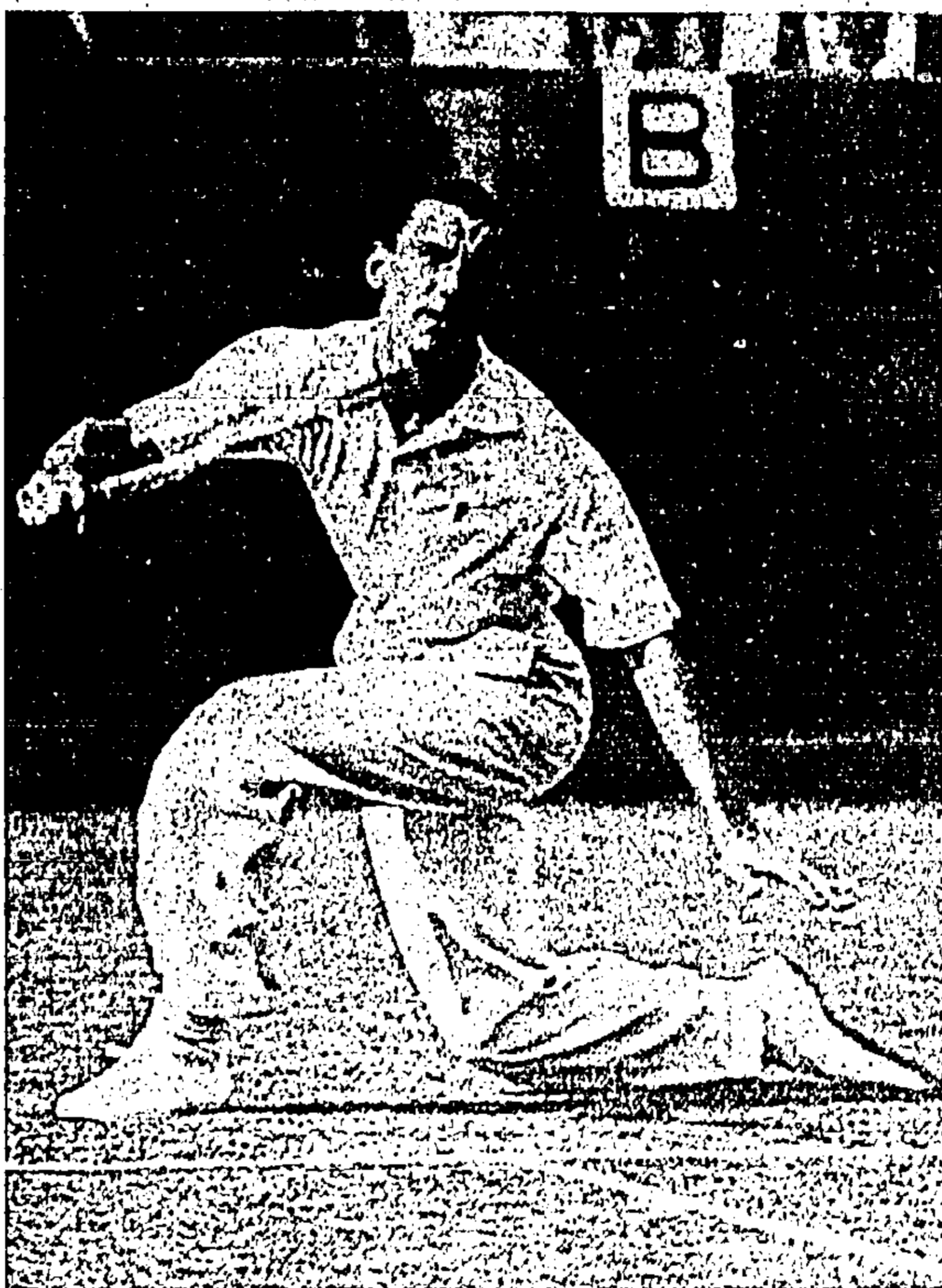
PERRY'S last acts before turning professional were to win Wimbledon and the United States titles. Vines' last act before starting on his Far Eastern tour with Tilden this year was to win the professional championship of the world. Both therefore, in their respective spheres of amateur and professional tennis could be said to have attained peak form. They are well fitted to take the court for the greatest match of the decade. Temperamentally they are totally dissimilar. Perry, mercurial, inclined to be quick-tempered, and always full of flourish; Vines, studious, equable, and somewhat leisurely. The very clash of two such personalities is a guarantee that their match on January 6 will provide thousands of onlookers with an exciting spectacle.

Perry's Advantage

TO make a comparison of their stroke equipment is a much more difficult matter. Time was when Vines could beat Perry on the strength of his cannon-ball service and searing forehand drives. But later came a time when Perry knew how to counter both well enough to impose his own attacking strokes on Vines. I believe Perry is still capable of accomplishing this. It is pretty certain that Vines will try to pierce Perry's backhand wing which, despite his record of achievements appearing to belie the idea of a weakness, is, comparatively speaking, a very vulnerable part of Perry's game. On the other hand one wonders whether Vines can counter those amazing forerunners of the Englishman, and his terrible volleys which invariably follow. This is where the players will cut and thrust. Neither have any liking for defensive measures, and undoubtedly each will be striving early on to gain an ascendancy in attack. I feel that Vines, to win, must win quick. He must succeed in throwing Perry out of rhythm from the

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FRED PERRY
THE
MIGHTY IN
ACTION



This picture graphically illustrates one of Perry's amazing forehand drives. Note the right leg resting on the ground, and the shoulders square to the net.

BRITISH BOXERS ARE FORCED DECLARES U.S. VISITOR TO LONDON

London. James J. Johnston, of Madison Square Garden, New York, who is now visiting London, has given his opinion of boxing in general. Johnston, who was born in Liverpool, has always had a keen interest in British fighters, and when the latter go to America always gives them a chance at the "Garden" if they make good.

Speaking of British boxing he said: "You have produced a heavyweight world champion for years for a very good reason. British managers try to make their youngsters do too much too quickly. It takes four years to make a bricklayer. And it takes a good many years to make a first-class fighter. 'He has got to be nursed. Avaricious managers won't wait, and the striplings are ruined with gruelling matches that are too long and too stiff. That's why they

don't reach the high spots.' 'My philosophy of what makes a champion is, this—first he must fight to eat; then, when he is made, he eats to fight. 'Braddock had to fight to eat. I picked him off the relief roll at the docks, and made him world champion in a year. That was a record.' 'My ideas of the leading heavyweights are: Braddock; too old. Joe Louis; Overrated. He can't avoid a good right hand and he can't take it on the temples. Petersen; Gave value for the money but he wasn't good enough. Schell Henry; Lousy. The coming champion. Not a heavyweight in America he can't lick. It will be a champion. Harvey; A fine boxer with a good record, but not a world champion.

EYSTON TO GO FOR MOTOR RECORD

Our Daily Golf Hint

Do not attempt to play a pitch shot as if the implement in your hands were a shovel or a big ladle; remember that the loft on the head will do all you ask of it.

—James Ockenden.

INDIAN INVITATION TO ENGLISH F.A.

Corinthians Asked To Visit Next Season

London. The F. A. has received a cable from the Indian F. A. stating that an invitation is being extended to the Islington Corinthians F. C. to visit India next season.

If the Corinthians go they will probably be the first English club to play on the new stadium which is being built at Calcutta to accommodate 100,000 people.

Subject to F. A. sanction being given, the Islington club say they will definitely undertake a world tour next year. Several sportsmen have guaranteed the cost and they are now looking for suitable players.

The proposal that the tour should be by an F. A. representative side has already been turned down by the F. A.

Captain George Eyston has announced that he intends shortly to make an attempt to break his own land speed record for compression-ignition (Diesel-engine) cars.

His previous record of 158.87 m.p.h. was made with his car "The Flying Spray" on the Bonneville Salt Flats, Utah, last April.

He wants to make the new attempt on an ordinary road, and has been canvassing the suitability of various stretches in Germany and Italy.

But in those countries there are various formalities and red tape which cause difficulties, and the probability is that the attempt will finally be made somewhere in France.

AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE

Close to the blackened ruins of the burnt-out Crystal Palace work was started on the construction of a new motor-racing circuit.

Captain Eyston, Sir Henry Buckland, Lord Feilding and Sir Samuel Hill-Wood cut a ceremonial turf with a four-handled spade to inaugurate the new venture.

The new track, which is being built by the International Road Racing Club, of which Lord Feilding is president, will be completed early in the spring.

Six meetings have been arranged for next year. Speaking at a luncheon given in connection with the ceremony, Mr. S. E. Legg said that the future of the Crystal Palace was still undetermined, but that if a new building were to be erected it would probably take a very modern and practical form.

Dreary Pat-A-Cake Test Bores Experts

INTEREST JUST FADES AWAY AMONG CROWD

Sydney, Dec. 20.

One man present at the Second Test yesterday will never be able to thank the English batsmen for their dull, dreary display of Pat-a-Cake. They provided him—an insomnia victim—with the first sound sleep he had had for years.

Charlie Kelleway, a Test champion of other days, who never uncovers the official scorer, remarked morosely: "Things could be a great deal brighter."

"I came all the way from Bathurst to see the match," declared Tom McKibbin, famous old-time Test player, "but I'm definitely packing the port to-night. I've seen all the correct cricket, both here and in England. What about a bit of batting?"

"What about a drink?" asked a man sitting nearby. A second later there was not a man to be seen in that corner of the pavilion.

THEY JUST SCRATCHED ROUND

On a perfect pitch, England scored only 147 runs all day. They resumed with 279 runs on the board and seven wickets in hand, but scratched round as if the fate of the Empire was in the balance or the Ashes depended upon every ball bowled.

Hammond, one of the best batsmen in the world, made some headful shots, but 81 off his bat did not represent a decent day's work.

This, coming after Leyland's lethargy of the previous day and the aimless antics of Ames, drove the crowd to distraction.

"The Hill" was patience personified for a while, but soon signified what it thought of things. "One-two-three" it chanted, until it reached "four." But Hammond took no notice.

"We may have been a bit slow," he said to a friend later, "but the runs are there."

Two or three missed catches and sharp rain showers did not improve the temper of the crowd who were not in the stands. When rain stopped play just after 4.30 nobody seemed to mind.

The captains inspected the wicket, which had been covered. Then they walked off.

That was the last the crowd saw of the players, but Hammond and Verity live to fight another day, and with 426 runs on the board England appears certain to reach a substantial total.

The surprising feature of the day's play was the restraint of "The Hill." It counted out Hammond once, and urged him and his comrades to "have a go," but probably the English team received a big surprise when a demonstration did not come during the funeral partnership of Hammond with Ames and Hardstaff.

"I AM DISAPPOINTED"

Commander C. B. Fry, a former captain, said after the match: "The Hill, in my opinion, is made up of merry men who amuse themselves when the play cannot amuse them. I would say that they are a very decent lot."

Mr. Neville Cardus: "I am disappointed with 'The Hill.' A few polite sounds reminded me of the elegant Long Room at Lord's when the lemonade is not up to standard. There is little enough character nowadays in Test matches; the players have become automata, dull run-making contrivances. Cricket needs a satirist to prod it out of solemn self-consciousness."

Mr. Jack Hobbs, the famous English batsman: "The most patient people on this sporting earth of ours! There is no getting away from the fact that play, most of the time, was dull and dull; yet the occupants of the stands showed wonderful restraint. 'The Hill' showed wonderful restraint. It appears to me that the days of bright Test cricket are gone. Matches nowadays are fought out in such a four spirit that it is more of a battle than a match. Nobody would have blamed the crowd to-day had they made themselves heard."

DELICATE ETIQUETTE

Mr. W. M. Woodfull, the former captain of Australia: "The crowd on 'The Hill' surprised me. The most exacting official and every stickler for etiquette towards visiting teams must have been pleased with the behaviour of the crowd."

Mr. Bruce Harris, well-known London sports writer: "I have heard 'The Hill' in far better voice during Tests in Sydney. Now and then they let the players know to-day that things were not the way they wanted them, but I thought their manners were first class."

JAPAN SPORT HEAD IS ELECTED

Presidency Of I.J.A.A.
Accepted By Lt-Gen.
Matahiko Oshima

Tokyo, Dec. 18. Filling a vacancy created on October 20, 1935, by the death of Dr. Ichii Kishi, founder and president of the Japan Amateur Athletic Federation, Lieut-Gen. Matahiko Oshima, I.J.A.A. and noted horseman, to-day took over the helm of Japan's supreme sports organization. He was elected president at a meeting of the board of directors on Tuesday.

Mr. Ryozo Hiranuma, noted Yokohama capitalist and vice-president of the organization, was offered the post but declined stating that he was "unworthy" of the honour.

Mr. Hiranuma recently tendered his resignation assuming responsibility for the alleged scandalous behaviour of members of the Japanese Olympic team on their way back from Berlin under his supervision. He was persuaded to withdraw his resignation.



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MACAO FOOTBALLERS MATCH AGAINST SMALL UNITS WELL MATCHED

The Macao Artillery concluded their holiday programme with a match against a strong Departmental team at Sookumpoo yesterday afternoon.

Although they did not play quite so well as they did against the Royal Engineers on Monday their performance was good and one feels sure that they have enjoyed and benefited from these games during their short stay in the Colony.

An evenly contested game during which both sides missed several scoring chances resulted in a draw of one all.

Lozano and De Silva the backs were again in the limelight and their display had much to do with the result. Lozano made some fine clearances and tackled well whilst Gomes in the intermediate line although opposed by the clever Army forward proved a rare spoiler to many of the latter's movements. Santos in the centre made some speedy runs but he lacked a finishing shot.

The outstanding member of the Macao forwards was Asis at inside left. He engineered many fine movements and was a source of danger whenever he had the ball.

The Small Units were strongly represented and included Duffield the Army forward, Harrison the Medicals' nippy centre forward and O'Connor who now appears in the Kowloon senior eleven. Duffield and Bensley were responsible for many clever movements, but there was a tendency to forget Harrison, consequently the latter had little chance to shine.

Although Worsfold the centre half was injured during the early part of the game he returned to play a really sound game at left half.

The opening exchanges favoured the Small Units but many chances were wasted. The Macao Artillery took the lead shortly before the interval when Hopkinson headed through his own goal. They retained this lead until some ten minutes from the end when Duffield sent over a perfect pass for Lieut. Reeder to equalise for the Small Units.

Macao Artillery—Fernandez, C. de Silva, Lobato, Gomes, Niza, Silveira, Morais, Veiga, A. Santos, Asis, J. Santos.

Small Units—Smith (R.A.S.C.), Hopkinson (R.A.O.C.), Howells (R.A.M.C.), Roberts (Signals), Worsfold (R.A.O.C.), O'Connor (R.A.P.C.), Lieut. Reeder (R.A.S.C.), Bensley (R.A.S.C.), Harrison (R.A.M.C.), Duffield (R.A.O.C.), Whetton (R.A.O.C.).

ART EXHIBITION

The art exhibition held at the Hotel Cecil and sponsored by the Oversea Chinese Fine Arts Association was a great success. Hundreds visited the show, among whom were Prof. Hsu Yi-shan, Messrs. Li Sing-lue and Wong Mou-lam.

A large number of artists, including Messrs. Sney B. Wong, Fu Po-hien, Ho Chi-yuen, Yung Siu-eh and Wong Shu-ling, were also there. Mrs. Meperson, President of the Hongkong Working Artists Guild, specially congratulated the artist on his exhibited works—and made a request that one of his paintings be permanently loaned to the Guild to

WOLF CUB SPORTS FIRST HONGKONG WINS SHIELD

The Hongkong Wolf Cubs competed against each other for the Peter Dalziel Shield when they met at their annual sports, held at the Hongkong Football Club ground yesterday afternoon.

Throughout the athletic events, which were devised to suit the training of the boys, keen competition was seen and much cheering was heard when the 1st Hongkong pack's relay team won the Inter-Pack relay race by almost 10 yards.

The Dalziel Shield goes to the 1st Hongkong Wolf Pack this year, with 22 points, followed by the 1st Kowloon Wolf Pack with 10 points and the 13th Kowloon Wolf Pack with 10 points.

The leaders of the 1st Kowloon Wolf Pack are gratified to see their company taking second place, as they were rather low in the winning list last year.

If the 2nd Hongkong Wolf Pack, winners of last year's annual meet, had competed this year, the 1st Hongkong would have had a very much harder time in making their winning points.

At the conclusion of the events, Mrs. F. E. Booker, Acting Assistant Commissioner for Wolf Cubs, presented prizes, in the form of card certificates, to the successful competitors.

The full results were:
80 Yards Sprint (Cubs under 10):
1. H. West (1st Kowloon); 2. Y. Y. Cheung (1st Hongkong).

100 Yards Sprint (Cubs over 10):
1. H. Halsall (1st Hongkong); 2. D. Massabrie (13th Kowloon); 3. L. Vieira (13th Kowloon).

Three-Legged Race—1. A. Choo and J. Lencumen (1st Hongkong); 2. H. West and D. Baldwin (1st Kowloon); 3. A. Brundell and D. Brundell (4th Hongkong).

Sack Race—1. G. Russell (Sea Scouts); 2. D. Chester-Woods (1st Kowloon); 3. S. Vantall (1st Hongkong).

Dressing Race—1. D. Garton (1st Hongkong); 2. D. Bridges (4th Hongkong); 3. D. McMahon (13th Kowloon).

Potato Race (Cubs under 10):
1. V. Russell (12 Kowloon); 2. L. Remedios (13th Kowloon); 3. L. Roza (13th Kowloon).

Inter-Pack Relay Race—1. 1st Hongkong; 2. 13th Kowloon; 3. 1st Kowloon.

The following received books as prizes:
Obstacles Race—1. W. K. Cheung (1st Hongkong); 2. T. Staples (1st Kowloon).

Little Sisters' Race—1. Miss C. Baldwin; 2. Miss S. Cole; 3. Miss M. Goyne.

Little Brothers' Race—1. J. Easton; 2. D. Fulkner.

Girls' Race—Miss E. Dolson; 2. Miss J. Bentley.

A silver medal for the Cubbers' race went to Jack Yulle of the Deep Sea Scouts.

be hung in the club room; The "Crabs," No. 68 of the exhibition was chosen for the purpose. She also wished that another water colour similar to the "Sailing Bots" which was sold, could be shown. Several art students of the National Sun Yat-sen University came down especially to see the exhibition and asked—Mr. Lau—Kwun-yum—the artist, to arrange a similar exhibition at Canton in the near future.

GREATEST TENNIS MATCH OF THE DECADE

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opening games. If the match goes the full distance of five sets, the odds on Perry winning are considerable. Though Perry may not be the world's finest exponent when it comes to stroke production, he does boast physical powers well beyond the average. This remarkable stamina of his has pulled him through tight corners time after time, merited such a player as Vines, whose aggressiveness is a tremendous drain on physical resources, this must be regarded as a decided advantage.

Vines' Advantage.

INDICATIONS are then that both players will be fairly evenly matched in stroke equipment, while Perry would appear to have something in his favour on a question of stamina. Against this, however, it should be noted that Vines will take the court with a counter advantage.

For the last four years Vines has been playing on wood surface courts. Not only that but he professes to prefer them to any other surface, and he has won his more important matches under such conditions.

Perry is a relative stranger to the wood surface. He has probably been getting in some extensive practice on them since turning pro, but his match play experience on them is negligible. So far as collection goes he has never even participated in the covered court championships at Queen's Club.

Vines, therefore, will start off with this in his favour. Thus, when everything is taken into consideration, it can be justifiably claimed that the stage is all set for a perfect decision of one of the world's most skillful games. It is obvious both players will be all out to win, for it is their first meeting on a court for some years, and both have their particular scores to pay off.

Perry hasn't lost sight of those 1931 killings, and Vines is sure to bear in mind that 1922 Davis Cup debacle.

These factors, plus the players' positions in the world of tennis, together with the fact that they are playing in the immense Madison Square Garden arena, where some of the greatest sporting contests of all time have been staged, are surely sufficient to earn for this encounter next Wednesday, the description of "The greatest tennis match of the decade."

HONGKONG CHESS

Kowloon Defeats Victoria

Kowloon Chess Club entertained the Victoria Chess Club at the Gloucester Hotel yesterday evening and won by five games to three.

The results were as follows:
Kowloon Result Victoria Result
D. E. Carvalho 0 Sir H. Pollock 1
A. D. Sequeira 1 Dr. M. O. Pfister 0

K. M. A. Barnett 1 Col. H. M. Fordham 0
J. S. Smith 1 J. Fitzgerald 0
G. Kaye 0 A. Vago 0
A. Kurrik 1 B. G. Birch 0
R. J. Elliott 0 K. Wells 1
B. D. Evans 1 A. P. Glanville 0

GORDON RICHARDS' DERBY HOPE

Gordon Richards, despite whose many Turf successes the Derby has consistently eluded, hopes to repair the deficiency next year. So do many other jockeys, incidentally. But Richards has perhaps more reason for his optimism, or hope. Beakhampton may not have a three-year-old good enough to be seriously regarded for the "classic," in which case Gordon will ride Early School for Lord Astor.

If that should eventuate, Gordon told a Sporting Chronicle reporter, "it would be a great privilege to win the Derby for Lord Astor. We should of course, it depends upon the colt being good enough."

Speaking of this year's Derby, in which he finished second on Taj Akbar to Mahmoud, Gordon paid tribute to the winner.

MAHMOUD'S STAMINA

"Many people have stated he was a lucky winner. I don't think that at all. He stayed better than they thought he would, and so he surprised them. Only good horses win the Derby, and every credit ought to go to Mahmoud for his easy victory."

On his year's work he said: "I can give no reason why I have not had so many winners this season except by using the time-honoured phrase, a jockey cannot win without the horse."

"Neither horses nor jockeys are machines. It isn't a question of keener competition, although I think we are very well off for riding talent at the present time. There has been talk of a lack of young riders. I don't agree with it."

"You have only got to look at the young light-weight jockeys who are riding regularly for the big stables, such as the brothers E. and D. Smith, J. Streat, and J. Crouch, the King's jockey. These are only a few of those holding responsible retainers."

YOUNG JOCKEYS

"I think we are in a splendid position as far as young jockeys go. I should like to mention how much we shall miss the jockeys who are retiring this season. The rest of us are arranging a dinner at which they will be our guests. We hope to give them a rousing send-off."

"If ever a jockey set an example it is Fred Fox. He has been a model to all of us; clean living, helpful, and a fine rider. We shall all miss him greatly. A great fellow is Fred Fox."

Johnnie Dines, another who has retired, and Gordon Richards have been particular friends for years.

"All the jockeys are now very respectful to Johnnie," he said laughingly. "When he came into the weighing-room the other day they all bowed so many to him, hoping to be given a few mounts when he starts as a trainer next year."

Talking of the unusual number of riding accidents during the season, the champion said: "There was no particular reason why there should have been so many to him, hoping for a long time without one and then they come one after another."

CAUSE OF MISHAPS

"It is a marvel we do not have accidents more frequently. A horse in the front rank has only to slip up rounding a bend and he might bring down half a dozen others."

"These accidents are always more likely to happen when a large proportion of the jockeys have orders to ride a waiting race."

"The horses remain together and get in one another's way, whereas if different riding tactics had been employed they would soon have been strung out. The larger fields than usual have also not helped matters."

Gordon hopes that one of his two boys will become a jockey. Richards' engagements for next year are:—

First claim—Beckhampton stable.

Second claim—Lord Astor.

Third claim—Mr. M. Hartigan.

Fourth claim—Lord Portal and Lord Monek.

MILITARY CRICKET

E. Lanes. Beat Engineers In Knock-out Tourney

In the semi-final round of the Large Units Knock-out Cricket Competition, the East Lancashire Regiment yesterday defeated the Royal Engineers by 149 runs on the Kowloon C.C. ground.

The East Lanes, compiled 252 for eight wickets before declaring. L/Cpl. Goldworthy hit up 98, Allison 38 and Banksman Cox 36.

The Royal Engineers were dismissed for 103. C. S. M. Elvin captured five wickets for 45, Lieut. Murphy three for 15 and L/Cpl. Whitehead two for 28.

ARSENAL STILL IN LEAD

English Soccer Tables Revised

As a result of Monday's English Football League matches, Arsenal still head the first division, though Sunderland, Brentford and Charlton have the same number of points.

Blackpool has established a clear lead in the second division, but both sections of the third division are being hotly contested.

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Arsenal	22	11	0	11	48	30	28
Sunderland	22	12	2	8	40	38	28
Brentford	22	12	4	6	44	35	28
Charlton	23	10	8	5	29	28	28
Derby	23	11	4	8	51	25	25
Huddersfield	23	9	7	6	43	31	25
Portsmouth	23	9	7	6	31	25	25
Middlesbrough	22	11	3	8	42	25	25
Manchester C.	22	8	7	7	35	31	23
Everton	22	10	3	9	45	20	23
Stoke	23	7	9	7	35	31	23
Chelsea	23	9	5	9	31	34	23
Grimsby	23	9	4	10	46	20	22
Wolves	22	9	3	10	38	36	22
Bolton	22	8	8	6	26	34	20
Liverpool	23	6	7	10	30	40	19
Birmingham	23	6	7	10	30	40	19
Preston N.E.	22	5	10	11	21	41	18
Wednesday	22	5	8	9	33	34	18
Leeds	22	8	1	13	35	44	17
West Brom.	21	7	11	3	36	47	17
Manchester U.	22	5	12	5	33	47	15

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Blackpool	23	16	3	4	71	20	35
Plymouth	23	12	7	4	45	27	31
Bury	23	11	8	4	37	28	31
Coventry	23	10	8	5	35	28	28
Leicester	23	11	5	7	44	33	28
Newcastle	23	12	2	9	46	27	26
Aston Villa	23	9	8	6	48	36	26
Sheffield U.	23	10	0	7	37	29	26
Burnley	23	9	0	8	27	24	24
Fulham	23	9	5	9	36	34	23
Tottenham	22	9	4	9	50	32	22
Barnsley	23	8	5	10	31	41	21
West Ham	22	8	4	10	29	37	20
Swansea	22	8	3	11	27	33	19
Chesham	22	7	5	10	36	45	19
Blackburn	22	7	5	11	31	39	19
Norwich	23	7	5	11	30	39	19
Notts Forest	22	6	6	10	30	46	18
Southampton	23	7	4	12	31	45	18
Bradford C.	24	6	12	12	32	49	18
Bradford A.	23	7	4	12	31	49	18
Doncaster	22	3	6	13	14	48	12

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Watford	22	12	4	6	44	27	28
Brighton	22	12	4	6	37	21	28
Luton	21	13	1	7	42	27	27
Bournemouth	21	11	5	5	32	22	27
Northampton	21	11	4	6	42	27	26
Notts C.	22	10	6	6	39	34	26
Gillingham	21	11	4	6	37	25	26
Millwall	21	10	5	6	37	25	25
Reading	21	10	5	6	41	31	25
Queen's P.R.	21	10	4	7	39	24	24
Southend	21	8	7	6	30	30	22
Swindon	21	8	6	7	42	32	22
Cardiff	21	9	4	8	39	31	22
Lincoln O.	21	8	6	7	29	30	20
Bristol R.	21	11	4	10	32	36	19
Torquay	22	7	5	10	27	37	19
Crystal Pal.	21	6	5	10	31	37	17
Walsall	21	5	6	10	28	44	16
Exeter	21	3	5	13	21	49	11
Aldershot	21	2	6	13	23	45	10
Newport	21	2	6	13	26	59	10

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	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Chester	23	13	4	6	50	28	30
Stockport	21	10	8	3	46	20	28
Hull	20	11	6	3	32	22	28
Lincoln	21	11	5	5	33	30	27
Port Vale	23	10	7	6	38	33	27
Gillingham	21	10	6	5	43	31	26
Hullfax	21	10	3	9	33	29	23
Rotherham	21	9	3	9	43	30	22
Wrexham	20	8	5	7	36	30	21
Mansfield	20	8	5	7	38	34	21
Hartlepool	20	8	5	7	25	25	21
Carlisle	20	9	2	9	30	31	20
New Brighton	21	6	8	7	21	25	20
York	20	6	8	8	32	35	18
Gateshead	20	6	8	8	38	35	18
Accrington	20	6	8	8	30	17	17
Crewe	21	4	8	9	29	43	17
Southport	20	4	9	7	34	45	16
Barrow	19	5	5	9	28	37	15
Rochdale	21	5	5	11	25	44	15
Darlington	20	3	8	9	29	43	14
Tranmere	21	3	5	13	31	54	11

FOOTBALL INTERPORT TIENTSIN DECLINES INVITATION

News has been received from the Tientsin Football Association that they are unable to accept Hongkong's invitation to send a team to participate in the Interport games during Chinese New Year, they find it is difficult for their players to obtain the necessary leave.

tured five wickets for 45, Lieut. Murphy three for 15 and L/Cpl. Whitehead two for 28.

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	SONG OF SONGS	Albert Sandler and Orch.
J661	MILL IN THE FOREST	Gren. Guards Band
	MARCH OF THE MOUNTAIN GNOMES	Gren. Guards Band
J727	PERSIAN MARKET	Court Sym. Orch.
J1889	LA PALOMA	Robert Renard Orch.
	O SOLE MIO	Robert Renard Orch.
J1268	SERENADE (SCHUBERT)	Sandler and Orch.
	MILLIONS D'ARLEQUIN	Sandler and Orch.
J962	SERENADE (TOSELLI)	Sandler and Orch.
	SOFTLY WAKES MY HEART	Sandler and Orch.
DB1039	MIRELLA OVERTURE	B.B.C. Military Band
C5017	WINE, WOMEN AND SONG	Strauss Sym. Orch.
	KISS WALTZ	Strauss Sym. Orch.

DESIGN HASTENS SLOWLY

REVOLUTION in design is bad for the motor industry—that point came out during an informal "free for all" discussion on the car of the future this week during the Scottish Motor Show. Motor manufacturers, journalists, a couple of racing motorists in the persons of Kaye Don and Norman Black, and a few "ordinary" motorists, propounded their views.

It seems that there will always be a car of the future. We are no nearer finality in design than we were 40 years ago.

The car of the future, as at present conceived, will have a streamlined body—really streamlined; the engine will be a "Diesel" and it will be at the rear of the chassis; springing will be independent on all four wheels, and gear-changing will be entirely automatic.

But we must hasten slowly towards this ideal—so the manufacturers say. And the reason is *slow*. They point out, and with truth, that the public would not buy the ideal car even if it were produced to-day. Advancement must be gradual, for the motorist is a conservative creature, and while he will admire and talk about unorthodox cars, he will not buy them.

YOU remember the rear-engine, streamlined Burney car—the King had one—the rear-engine Crossley—cars of the future "that did not catch on." The orthodox Chrysler models were far more popular than the "Airflow." That really modern-looking car, the streamlined, front-wheel-drive Cord, attracts only the select few.

Manufacturers said, at this that we had, that it was as bad to be in front of times as it was to be behind.

But progress is being made. Gently they are leading motorists away from the idea that a car should have a little box in front and a big one behind. Streamlining is being introduced in small doses.

Manufacturers are busy already on models for the 1937 Earl's Court Show. On my way back from Scotland I looked in at one or two Coventry

by
Thomas H. Wisdom

factories to find the experimental shops very busy studying draughts—*flow lines*—prints.

There are all sorts of rumours—one concerns a really small car. Further than that I cannot say.

No, our present "car of the future" will be here in four or five years' time. And by then we shall be arguing about another "car of the future."

IF change in motor design is gradual, change in road design and construction is slower still, despite "Five Year" plans, trunk-road schemes and so on.

In Scotland I went to see the new road bridge across the Firth of Forth—the Kinnaird—on Forth bridge, a really wonderful engineering job that cost £350,000 and is at present the joke of Scots motorists.

Motorists going north ignore it and go the old way through Stirling. We in Great Britain seem to have a knack of building bridges in the wrong place—take the case of that recently built across the Thames at Lambeth. It is little used because it does not open up a

Dozens of ultra-modern motor-cars are weaned by enthusiasts long before their time, but the steady trend of development moves as slowly as the conservative mind of the ordinary buyer.



(Top) The New Willis is the sensation of the New York Motor Show. It costs 100 dollars less than any other car on the U.S. market. (Above) This airy effort is a Bavarian inventor's ideal.

through way. That sort of thing seems to be going on all the time. Motorists will pay some £400,000,000 in taxes during the next five years, yet congestion is so bad in towns and cities that still the retrograde plan of banning private cars from certain streets is being discussed.

Traffic blocks cost thousands of pounds every day in waste of time and petrol. That is why I like the idea put forward by the Cement and Concrete Association. It suggests overhead pavements built of concrete and glass, at first-floor level. Walkers would be safer, roads could be wider, and the cost would not be high.

Concrete is strong, easy to erect and not very expensive. Overhead roads will have to come—why wait until existing roads become so

crowded that congestion is worse than it is now.

The Scots motorist is lucky—roads in Scotland are good and, outside Glasgow, uncrowded.

Last week-end I made a memorable tour. From Glasgow we made for Aberfoyle, with a brief call at the famous Rob Roy hostel, then across the Trossachs—a run made more glorious because the sun came out—then on to Lochearnhead for lunch. Afterwards a run in wild, lovely country to Crianlarich, with snow on the road at the top of the pass, and back to Glasgow by Loch Lomond-side.

Winter motoring is so much more pleasant. Those folk who "lay up" their cars cannot know what they are missing.

Our tour introduced a number of new models to Scots motorists—in our

convey were the new "V-8" Flying Standard, the "V-8" Autovin, and the recently introduced Riley touring saloon, three most attractive cars.

MOST of the motor manufacturers attended the Scottish Show banquet, a real Scots affair, with haggis and pipers and all at which our Highlanders expressed themselves as very optimistic for the future of the motor industry.

Captain John Black, head of the highly successful Standard Company, was there, and told me that Scots motorists would buy some £10,000,000 worth of cars during 1937; about 10 per cent of the total sold in Great Britain. Captain Black is the unusual type of manufacturer who is an enthusiastic motorist, and drove every one of his new models thousands of miles while they were in the experimental stage.



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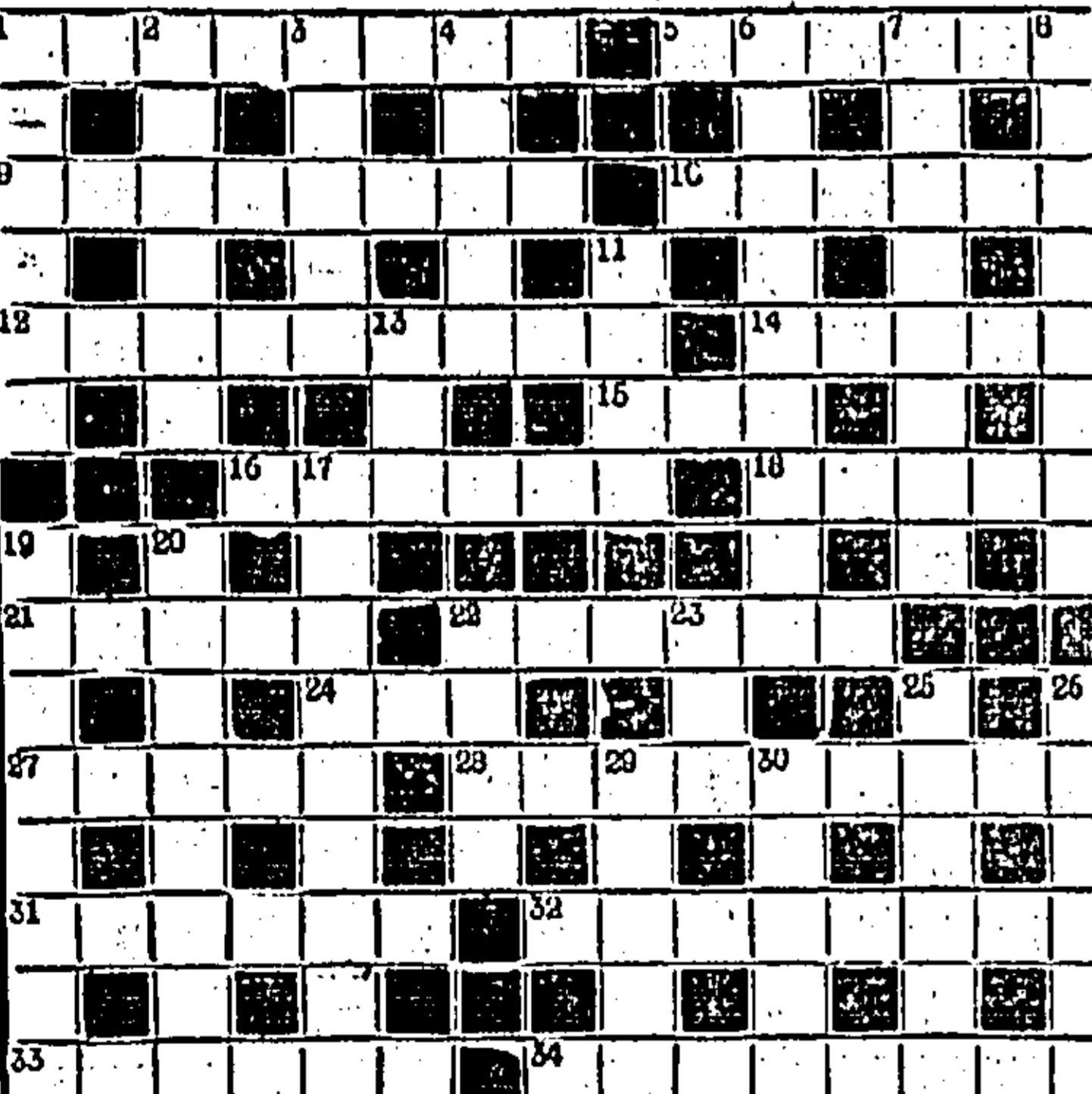


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12 Severity that ought not to worry our Scottish "monster" much.
14 Famous German engraver.
15 An infirmity is not this.
16 Oxford College.
18 Active.
21 A hearty sort of headland apparently.
22 O Sally (anag.).
24 This is found in bears but not in wolves.
27 A constellation.
28 Motorists sometimes find this stops a skid.
31 Motorists sometimes find this steals the car.
32 This may shelter an American head.
33 Dredgers working make the water this.
34 An old English hero seems to advise a parry.

DOWN
1 Electrifying announcement of a proud parent in two languages.
2 A prisoner pretends the judge's sentence to do this.
3 Spirited sort of courage.
4 A boy of former days is a villain to-day.
6 A little song from a Royal duno.
7 Reverse.
8 Kind of leather that sounds like mortification.

11 Write in this river once here but you will find it is repeated.
13 To be observed in a panorama.
17 It is extremely annoying, to put it mildly, when one's enemies take this.
19 Deeply interested though perhaps drunk.
20 If some great person gives you this, you have nothing to carry away that you did not have before.
22 Vessels that come from Sark.
23 A round in 19 down.
25 A wine shop.
26 Past.
29 Cut up a bird and got a river.
30 Kind of sword to cut bears up with.

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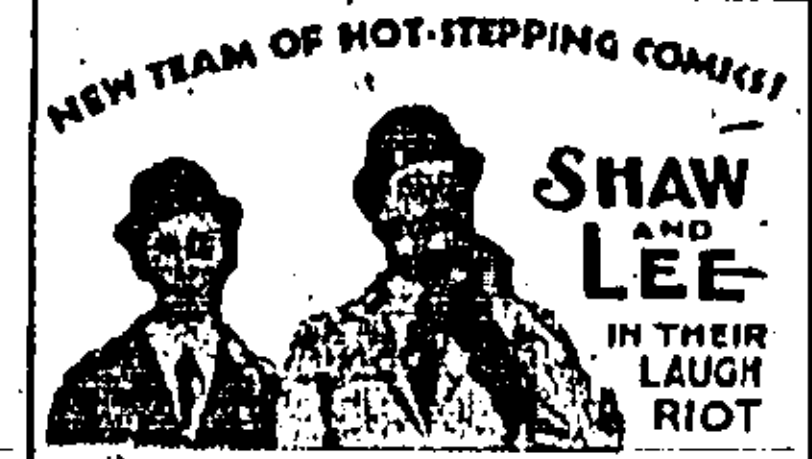
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Papua Patrol Is Safe

MISSING MONTHS IN MOUNTAINS

London, Dec. 29. It is officially confirmed that the Government patrol, which has been lost for three months in the mountains of Papua, has now reported itself safe. It is reaching the coast to-day, after a successful survey whereby much valuable information has been obtained. Members of the patrol are well and have not been molested by the mountain tribes. A search party sent out last week has now been recalled.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

KOWLOON CHURCH ROOF ABLAZE

OUT BEFORE FIREMEN REACH SCENE

While workmen were tarring the roof of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, this morning, some of the material with which they were working caught fire and for a time threatened to do serious damage. Considerable smoke, and the excitement prevailing among the coolies, prompted an alarm. The fire brigade was called. Before the appliances arrived, however, the shouting workmen had beaten out the blaze. Damage was very slight.

BRITISH LADS SAFE

WENT SAILING IN SMALL CUTTER

Some anxiety was felt last night for the safety of three British boys, aged between 12 and 16 years, belonging to the Royal Ulster Rifles, who put out from Shamshuip at three o'clock in the afternoon in a small cutter. They were subsequently seen sailing between Stonecutters Island and Lantau, but later were untraced for several hours. A police report issued this morning, however, shows that the lads safely returned to their quarters at midnight.

HAW-PAR HOSPITAL CHEUNG CHAU BUILDING TO HAVE EXTRA STOREY

Once again Messrs. Aw Boon-haw and Aw Boon-par have shown their great interest and sympathy in the welfare of children afflicted with the terrible scourge of bone tuberculosis, by signifying their intention to add to the Haw-Par Hospital at Cheung Chau Island an extra storey, to be suitably arranged for T. B. children only. There will be accommodation for about 20 to 30 such children who will be under the direct supervision of a doctor who specialises in tuberculosis.

The hospital, situated almost on to the beach, is ideal for such patients, and will be the only one of its kind in Hongkong. Further additions in course of erection are a kitchen, laundry, mortuary, a "doubled" retaining wall and a sea wall.

The large ward on the ground floor, as soon as the operating theatre is equipped will be used for accident cases, and thus avoid the exposure and fatigue caused by the long journey to Hongkong. Accidents amongst the fisher folk are common, and usually severe—crushed limbs being quite frequent from dynamite explosions.

The junk population depend upon the Haw-Par Hospital; many of these people come from Chinese waters. The maintenance of the hospital solely depends upon the St. John Ambulance Association to whom it has been donated, and in turn, on the generosity of the public for funds.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 28.	Dec. 29.
Paris.....	105.11/64	105.9/04
Geneva.....	21.37 3/4	21.38
Berlin.....	12.21	12.21
Athens.....	550	550
Milan.....	93 1/2	93 1/2
Copenhagen.....	22.40	22.40
Stockholm.....	19.30 1/2	19.30 1/2
Shanghai.....	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
New York.....	4.91 1/2	4.91 1/2
Amsterdam.....	8.93 1/2	8.97 1/2
Vienna.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
Prague.....	140 1/2	140 1/2
Madrid.....	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon.....	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong.....	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Bombay.....	1/6.5/32	1/6.5/32
Montreal.....	4.91 1/2	4.91 1/2
Brussels.....	29.12 1/2	29.14
Yokohama.....	1/2	1/2
Belgrade.....	213	213
Monte Video.....	30 3/4	30 3/4
Rio.....	4 1/2	4 1/2
Bucharest.....	870	870
Silver (forward).....	21 1/2	21 1/2
Silver (Spot).....	21 1/4	21 1/4
War Loan.....	105 1/4	105 1/4

—British Wireless.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Society for the Protection of Children acknowledges with grateful thanks a donation of \$50 from the Cathedral Christmas Tree Fund.

The S.S. Empress of Canada is due here from Shanghai at 7 a.m. on New Year's Day.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE MARKET IRREGULAR YESTERDAY

New York, Dec. 29. S. C. & F. Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market:—The market today was irregular, influenced by tax selling. Railroad-equipment shares vigorously resumed their rise, led by Pullmans; building issues advanced under the leadership of Mansville shares; oils were consistently higher, aviation stocks were periodically strong, but they eased late in the session. Utility securities were generally slightly higher, but the turnover was light. Steel, motor, communication, chemical and copper shares eased. The markets, on the whole, firmed towards the close as new buying developed, based on the theory that the market may stage the usual year-end rally.

S. C. & F. Wall Street Journal morning comment:—Labour troubles continue to hang over the market. Any definite move, one way or other, in utility securities might signal the immediate move in stocks. Most authorities on Wall Street are in favour of a constructive view with regard to utility shares. The usual year-end cross-currents are expected to gain headway in the course of the next three sessions. Fertilizer buyers continue to attract investment buying.

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: The market to-day has precisely absorbed selling and prices look likely to move higher. Business failures during the past week totalled 162 as compared with 179 failures the previous week. Demand deposits in Federal Reserve Member Banks amounted to \$15,574,000,000, against \$15,025,000,000 the previous week.

Cotton: Some profit-taking was in evidence to-day, but the market was quiet. The easing tension in European news, the approaching Congress and the possibility of further regulation in business and industry were factors. Buyers were hesitant at around 12 1/2 cents, pending a definite plan regarding the release of Government stocks. Out of twelve prominent cotton brokers, nine are bullish and three are neutral.

Wheat: The market to-day declined owing to technical adjustment, a fall in the demand from Europe and the cessation of rains in the Argentine which, it is believed, are lowering the quality of the crop and are delaying delivery. Sentiment, however, is bullish. We would favour purchases on reactions.

Corn: Light receipts and a good "cash" demand were sustaining factors. Rubber: In spite of reports that the Dutch decree that all export rubber for the first quarter under the Customs' control will be shipped by March 1st, is construed as a bearish factor. Labour trouble in the automobile industry is again threatening.

REUTER'S QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:	Dec. 28.	Dec. 29.
30 Industrials.....	177.12	177.60
20 Rails.....	52.20	52.26
20 Utilities.....	34.25	34.40
40 Bonds.....	105.24	105.25
11 Commodity Index.....	81.57	80.27

COMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Francis Joseph Soden, District Manager, N.A.A.F.I., Hongkong, and Miss Catherine Beatrice Pegg, residing at 8 The Peak; Mr. Albert Arthur Elms, clerk, Messrs. Carroll Bros., and Miss Katherine Julian, of 37 Robinson Road.

British Motor Trade Thrives

SHARE OF WHOLE WORLD'S MARKET

London, Dec. 29. A survey of trade in motor vehicles, prepared by the Imperial Economic Committee, shows that while there are fifteen times as many motor cars in the United States as in the United Kingdom, the latter has more cars per square mile of its area, namely 22, than any other country.

The next is Belgium with 13.5. Moreover, 94 per cent. of motor vehicles sold in the United Kingdom are of home manufacture, while the British share in the total world export of motor vehicles is approximately one sixth.—British Wireless.

OVERCROWDING PROBLEM

GOVERNMENT SCHEME EXPEDITED

London, Dec. 29. Another stage in the development of part of the Government's housing programme, which aims at the abatement of overcrowding, has been reached with the issue of an order by the Minister of Health fixing July 1 next as the appointed day for bringing the relevant provisions of the 1935 Housing Act into operation in a further 159 areas which were exempted from the first order, issued in June last, and a subsequent order, owing to the extent of overcrowding in those areas revealed in a recent survey and the need for extra time to cope with the problem.

Several Metropolitan Boroughs and large provincial towns are included among the areas affected by the new order. Out of total of 1,477 areas in the country as a whole, only 59 remain where the Act will not be in operation by next July.—British Wireless.

BRITISH FINANCES

London, Dec. 29. Exchequer returns shows that total ordinary revenue amounts to £434,047,800, compared with £430,791,307 at the corresponding date last year. The yield from stamps is £10,300,000, against £15,540,000 for the same period of the last financial year, reflects greater business activity particularly in the stock markets. Total ordinary expenditure is £570,087,083, compared with £543,907,332 at the corresponding date of 1935.—British Wireless.

ONAGER BORN IN ZOO

London, Dec. 29. A male baby onager was born to-day at the London Zoo. The last occasion on which a Persian wild ass gave birth to a foal in the London Zoo was in 1911.—British Wireless.

The Civil Service Cricket Club announces that there will be no whitest drive on Thursday, New Year's Eve. The next drive will be held on Saturday, January 2.

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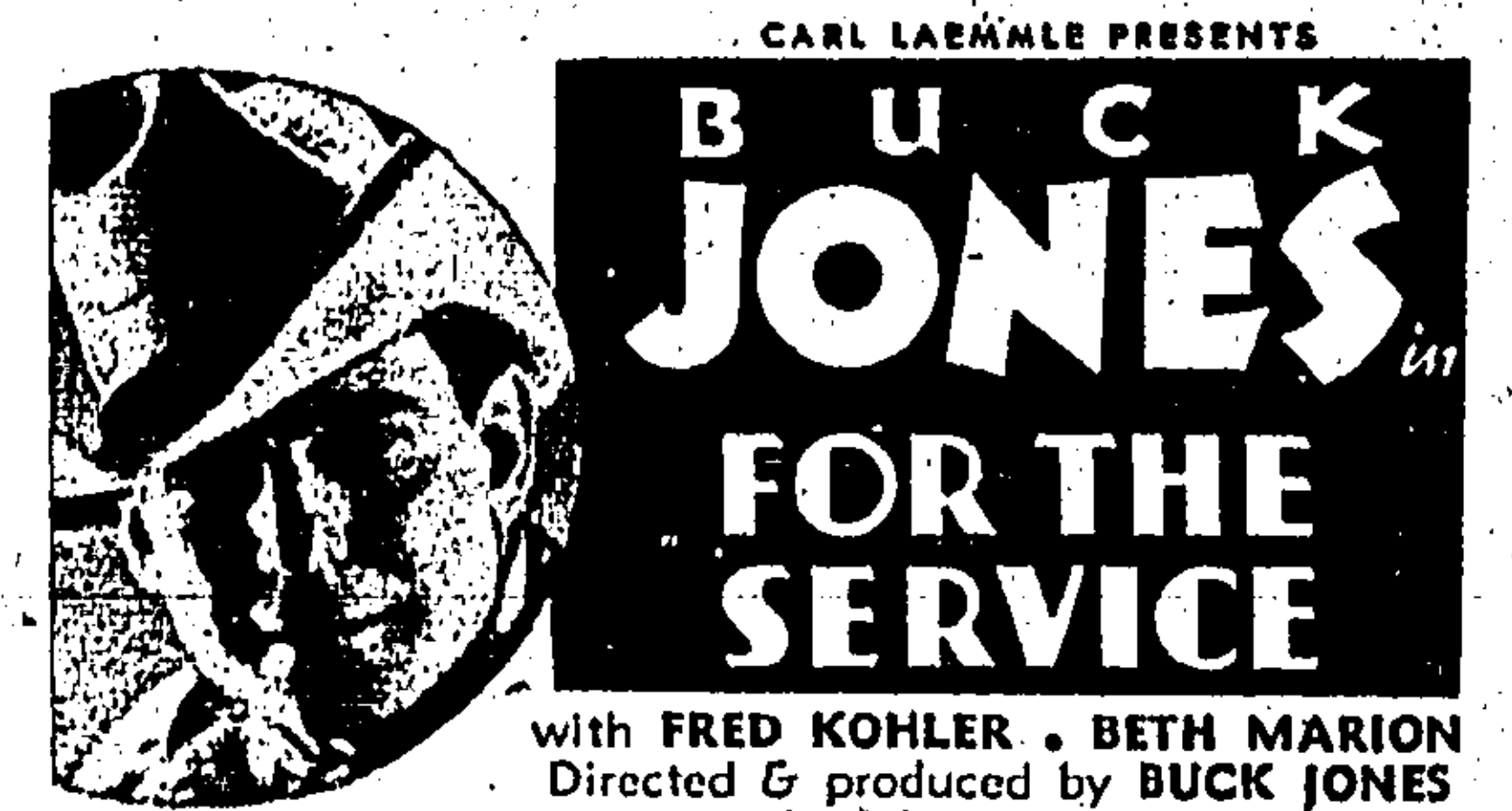


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U.S. EXPORTS MAY UPSET NEUTRALITY

Europe Contemplating Action in Washington ROOSEVELT OPPOSED TO ARMS TRADE TO SPAIN

London, Dec. 29.
Some European commentators have expressed the foreboding that the United States' action in granting export licences for aircraft which may be used for war will defeat European efforts to make effective the non-intervention agreement, which nations are trying to employ to prevent the spread of the Spanish civil war.

The *Evening Standard's* diplomatic correspondent says the Non-Intervention Committee is expected to approach Washington, to draw attention to the danger. However, British authoritative quarters deny this intention.—*United Press*.

FAVOURS EMBARGO

Washington, December 29.
President F. D. Roosevelt, at a press conference today, said he favoured legislation which would give the President the discretion of applying an arms embargo wherever nations suffered from internal strife.—*Reuter*.

Frank Denunciation

Washington, Dec. 29.
At a press conference today, President F. D. Roosevelt denounced attempts to ship planes to Spain as legal but unpatriotic, and said that neutrality should be strengthened to afford the President discretion with regard to placing an embargo on war supplies to countries in which there is civil war.

He said such a war should be defined as "internal strife," to permit a wider interpretation.

Meanwhile, Senator Nye plans to attempt a constitutional amendment to permit the Government to draft property, factories and men in the event of war. In other words, he would conscript labour and industry. He says he will request the State Department to furnish the names of all parties selling planes to the broker, Cuse, who plans to ship them to Spain.

Senator Key Pittman, regarding this shipment, says: "It is dangerous and unpatriotic. Europe is a powder keg, with the fire getting closer daily."

Pittman's Criticism

Washington, Dec. 29.
The licences issued by the State Department for the export of thousands of dollars worth of aeroplanes and engines to Spain was described here today as a plain violation of the spirit and intention of the United States Neutrality Act, by Senator Key Pittman.

The Nevada politician stated that he intended to introduce legislation on January 6 to prevent all exports of arms and ammunition to Spain. He hoped that such legislation could be enacted in time to hold up the consignment from New Jersey, destined for Bilbao, and which was not expected to leave the United States for at least another two months.

Now legislation, he said, "should extend the present act, which applies only to international wars, to all major civil wars."

A spokesman for the firm of aircraft brokers which has been granted the export licences, stated that all planes whose export they were contemplating were second-hand commercial machines, not equipped for conversion into instruments of war.—*Reuter*.

DIPLOMATIC CHANGE

London, Dec. 29.
The King has approved the appointment of Mr. B. C. Newton, Minister at the Embassy in Berlin, to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Prague, in succession to Mr. C. H. Bentinck, who has been appointed Ambassador at Santiago.—*British Wireless*.

KANSU TROUBLE SIMMERS

SHENSI RETURNS TO NORMAL

NANKING FACES BIG PROBLEMS

Shanghai, Dec. 30.
The situation in Lanchow, capital of Kansu, where Governor Yuh Sueh-chung's troops revolted in sympathy with the Sianfu mutineers, is still out of control, according to Chinese press despatches. These add that communications between Nanking and Lanchow have not yet been restored.

The Eurasia Air Service to Lanchow, which was interrupted by the Sianfu trouble, at present terminates at this latter port.

General Shao Li-tze, Governor of Shensi, who was one of those who backed Chang Hsueh-liang's revolt in Sianfu, has been summoned to Nanking to report on the mutiny and the position in Kansu.

There are other problems pressing in Nanking. One of these is the work of repairing damage to buildings and communications in Shensi, the outcome of the civil strife which followed the detention of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. Railways, bridges and other systems of communication in that province have to be restored at once. Work has begun.

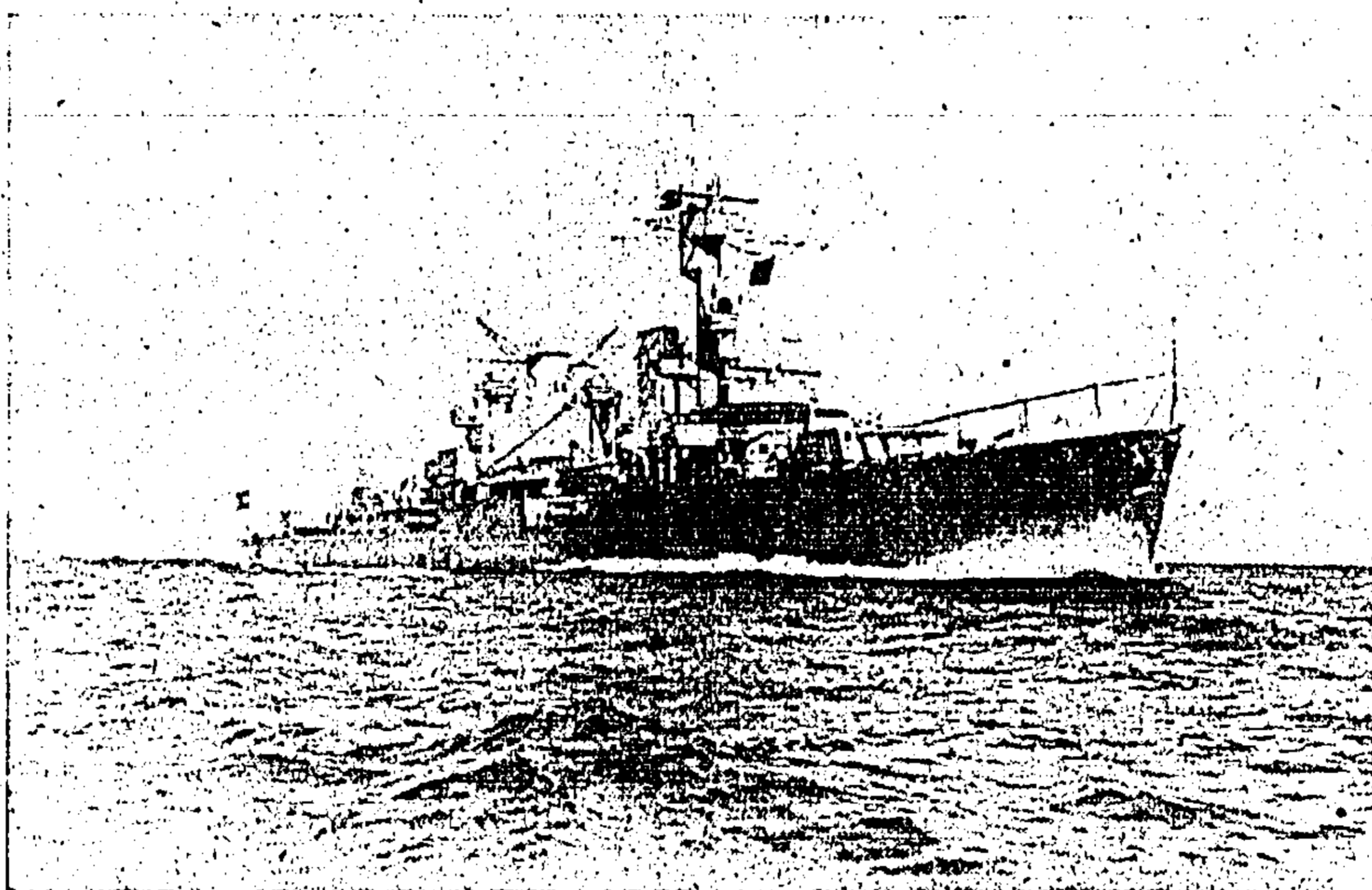
C.E.C. TO MEET
A plenary session of the Central Executive Council of the Kuomintang has been convened for February 15. This will discuss "the larger problems of the nation" according to Chinese correspondents in Nanking.

Although no official statement has been issued in connection with this meeting, the action of convening the full Committee, which has only met twice before, was inevitably regarded as an outcome of the Sianfu revolt which has posed a number of pressing questions.—*Reuter*.

HIGH ENDURANCE OF AIRCRAFT

DE HAVILLAND SETS FINE RECORD
London, Dec. 29.
Remarkable endurance figures for De Havilland Diana class aircraft today are published. Altogether at the present time 80 D. H. 88 air-liners are in regular service on 10,000 miles of air routes, and their total mileage flown up to last September was nearly 4,000,000 miles.—*British Wireless*.

SHARP DEMAND OF GERMAN CRUISER BRINGS RELEASE OF ARRESTED SHIP



The cruiser Koenigsberg, which was rushed to Bilbao on the seizure of the freighter Palos, a German ship, by Leftist patrol vessels, and whose demands for release of the arrested vessel have won Spanish acquiescence. The international problem is not entirely settled, however, for the Spaniards still detain passengers and cargo of the Palos.

PALOS RELEASED BY SPANISH LEFTISTS But Passengers and Part Of Cargo Still Detained

Berlin, Dec. 29.
It is officially reported that the Leftist Government authorities in Spain have released the German steamer Palos, upon the demand of the commander of the German cruiser, Koenigsberg, which went hurriedly to Bilbao after the arrest and detention of the vessel there.

However, the Leftists are continuing to detain the Spanish passengers from the ship at Bilbao and to hold such portions of her cargo as they consider to come under the category of "war supplies." Hence, the matter is not yet settled.

Meanwhile, high Government officials appear to be strongly opposed to further and more active support by Germany of the Spanish Nationalist cause. Radio despatches from Bilbao state that the Palos carried a large cargo, including field wireless sets, and raw materials for the manufacture of explosive aerial bombs.—*United Press*.

Backing From Russia

Moscow, Dec. 29.
Mr. Maxim Litvinoff, the Foreign Commissar, has informed the British and French Ambassadors here that the Russian Government agrees in principle with the British and French proposals for the preservation of neutrality in the Spanish crisis, delivered to Moscow earlier this month. The notes suggested the banning of all volunteers to Spain.

The British Government has not yet received any replies from other Governments questioned in these matters.—*Reuter*.

Doubtful About Germany

Moscow, Dec. 29.
While the British and French Ambassadors here have been informed that Russia fully supports the principle of strict enforcement of the Non-Intervention Agreement, and favours the banning of despatching of volunteers to Spain, it is felt in the Red capital that Germany's co-operation in this direction is doubtful.—*United Press*.

WOMAN SHOTS YOUTH IN KENTUCKY COURT

Jackson, Ky., Dec. 29.
A woman shot and fatally wounded a young man who was on trial for murder here today.

The Breathitt County court was examining John Sheppard, 18, a cripple, and his brother, Noah, 21, charged with the murder of Harvey Gabbard, 17, on Christmas Eve. As John entered the witness stand on crutches, Mrs. Viola Wickline, 30, Harvey Gabbard's mother, by a former marriage, drew a revolver and fired four times. One shot fatally wounded John in the stomach. Another wounded Moss Noble, his attorney, in the leg. A third struck George Shouse, a spectator, drilling through the lung. The fourth holed the hat of Howard Moore, but did not injure him. Spectators fled in terror from the court-room and the sheriff seized Mrs. Wickline. She is held in custody. The woundings, apart from that of John, are believed to have been accidental.—*United Press*.

HOLLAND EN FETE

PERPARING FOR ROYAL WEDDING THROUGHS IN CAPITAL

The Hague, Dec. 29.
The towns of Holland are humming with preparations for the wedding of Princess Juliana and Prince Bernard, who will some day rule the kingdom.

In the evenings, now, Government buildings, the Royal Palace and important structures of The Hague are flood-lit, and thousands of peasants from the countryside come to the city to see these splendid sights. Traffic in the centre of the city is stopped during the night to enable the masses of pedestrians to walk the streets in freedom.

Officers of the Dutch Navy presented Prince Bernard with binoculars after he was sworn in as a lieutenant.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

Great Britain Guards Her War Supplies

London, Dec. 29.
It is officially stated that contracts will be signed shortly to transfer the shell-filling and other explosive departments from Woolwich to four arsenals near Bridgend (Glamorgan), Chorley, Irvine (Ayrshire) and Hereford. The Chorley factory will cover nine hundred acres. The new arsenals will be less open to air attack than that at Woolwich.—*Reuter*.

CROWD TURNS UGLY

PARIS MUNICIPAL WORKERS STRIKE FOOD SUPPLIES THREATENED

Paris, Dec. 29.
The city's municipal workers, who went on an hour's strike today to warn the authorities to restore to them the wage cut imposed a year ago, held a mass meeting this evening and afterwards demonstrated before the Hotel de Ville and in the streets adjoining. Police and Mobile Guards who intervened were received with cat-calls and booing and the strains of the Communists' "Internationale." At one time the police cordon was broken by the crowd, which very nearly gained entry to the municipal buildings. Mounted men then lined up in front of the entrances and others attempted to clear the square. Meanwhile, a new strike wave,

FRESH ANXIETY FELT FOR POPE Fear His Condition Now Really Dangerous

Vatican City, Dec. 29.
The condition of health of His Holiness Pope Pius has taken a serious turn for the worse and to-night it is feared he has developed the first symptoms of thrombosis, arising from varicose veins in his left leg. This condition is recognised as dangerous. His Holiness will be required to keep quietly to his bed. The Pope's leg is causing him great pain, which has been aggravated by a sharp attack of neuritis. Dr. Milani has applied electrical treatment, without it having much apparent effect.

DEMANDS LABOUR REFORMS

STARVATION WAGE DENOUNCED

ROOSEVELT'S WARNING

Washington, Dec. 29.
President F. D. Roosevelt, in a press conference here today, called for the elimination of child labour, long hours and starvation wages. Denouncing such practices, he plainly indicated that action was needed to abolish them. He directed criticism against that "ten per cent. of industry" which, he said, does not play fair in competition with other businesses. The President drew attention to the break-down of the maximum wage limitations since the death of the N.R.A.—a subject which he discussed earlier with Mr. Sidney Hillman. The President indicated that any action taken would be by the federal authority, since he feels the states are not strong enough to remedy the situation.—*United Press*.

LABOUR'S DESIGN

Washington, Dec. 29.
It is learned that the American Federation of Labour has prepared legislation designed to restore the labour protective features of the N.R.A., which provides Congress with a catalogue of "unfair conduct," punishable by fines, including child labour, destructive price-cutting, secret discounts, rebates, paying labourers unfairly, "low compensation," unreasonably long hours, interference with collective bargaining, and so on. The A.F.L. counsel, Mr. C. C. Ogburn, said he would likely request Senator Wagner to introduce the measure.—*United Press*.

Another Snag For Strikers

SHIP-OWNERS WON'T SURRENDER

San Francisco, Dec. 29.
The Firemen's Committee has expressed dissatisfaction with certain terms of the tentative agreement in the shipping strike and has requested the re-opening of negotiations. Mr. T. G. Plant, President of the Shipowners' Association, has, however, replied that in that event the shipowners would request the modification of certain concessions. Subsequently, the conferees dispersed without fixing a further meeting, and this is interpreted as a new setback to hopes of peace.—*United Press*.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Washington, Dec. 29.
President Roosevelt has accepted the resignation of Mr. J. J. Burns, General Counsel of the Securities Exchange Commission, and it is announced that Mr. Allen E. Throop, senior assistant, succeeds Mr. Burns.—*United Press*.

which spread to the bakers of Paris this morning and was threatening the city's food supplies and curtailing the New Year festivities, has subsided this evening. It was then announced that an agreement had been reached and that shops would re-open to-morrow.—*Reuter Special*.

Physicians are also anxiously watching the condition of the Pope's heart, which is stated to be bearing up well. Fortunately His Holiness has not been suffering from asthma, except in the early hours of the morning, and this relief has lessened the strain on the heart. Officially the Pope's condition is described as stationary. But lack of sleep due to the pain in his leg is gradually weakening him. An atmosphere of pessimism prevails in the Vatican, and orders have been given to all religious in-

CONDITION UNCHANGED

Vatican City, Dec. 29.
The condition of His Holiness the Pope was unchanged at midnight.—*Reuter*.

VERY GRAVE

Vatican City, Dec. 30.
The Pope's condition is very grave.—*United Press*.

situations to offer prayers for His Holiness. The instructions have not yet been extended to the churches in order not to arouse alarm. This morning Pope Pius received Cardinal Pacelli for the transaction of the usual business which engages him at that hour.—*Reuter*.

Suffering Greatly

Vatican City, Dec. 29.
It is semi-officially stated that His Holiness the Pope is now, admittedly, gravely ill and is suffering excruciating pain. The condition in his left leg has grown worse during the day. Vatican circles are most depressed and worried, although there is no intimation that His Holiness is in danger of sudden death.—*United Press*.

Buffaloes Hunted By H.K. Gunmen

THRILLING CHASE THROUGH COLONY BEAST BUMPS RICKSHA

While being landed together with a number of others from a junk on the waterfront at West Point, near the slaughter house, three buffaloes escaped this morning and caused considerable excitement before they were eventually shot. One of the animals ran along West Point, up to Caine Road, then Upper Albert Road and dashed along the neighbourhood of Queen's College, where it was fired at by Sergeant Davies and Wall, both attached to 7 Police Station. The shots did not seem to have any effect, for the beast retraced its steps and went to Lower Albert Road. It was eventually cornered near the Colonial Secretariat, where it was shot by Sanitary Inspector Lacey, who had been following it in a car. During its mad career, the animal knocked over a ricksha in Caine Road, but fortunately injured no one. Inspector Simson and Sergeant Morris also took part in the hunt in a motor cycle combination. The other two animals did not create nearly as much trouble, one of them being shot near the Harbour Office and the other in Des Voeux Road.

EXPORTS GAINING

London, Dec. 29.
The export trade of practically all British countries has shown an increase in the last year, 9.6 per cent. for the United Kingdom and 13.8 for Canada, though exports to Italy and Spain declined again.—*United Press*.

Page For Women

when rough weather dries your skin

GATHER from your letters that it is about time I gave you a routine for winter complexions. Although different types of skins require totally different preparations, there are certain rules about complexion care that apply to everyone.

You should remember that cold winds and rough weather dry the skin, and therefore you should not wash your face directly before going out or immediately on coming in.

If your face needs remaking-up before you go out take off the old make-up with cleansing cream, unless your face is very greasy, in which case you can use a cleansing milk. After cream or cleansing milk sponge with luke-warm water and dry thoroughly before applying your make-up.

If you are accustomed to a soap and water wash use this at night only. Sponge the face thoroughly with cool water in the morning.

During the winter months avoid astringents and use mild skin tonics sparingly.

By
Jane
Gordon



DYSPEPSIA

By Family Doctor

A BUSINESS man consulted me recently because of his chronic dyspepsia.

Indigestion associated with an excess of acid in the stomach is the most common form of stomach trouble, for many people refuse to study the digestion until too late.

This patient had been bolting his meals hurriedly for years; first his heavy breakfast was gulped down, then he was borne to the station in his car. During the train journey he studied the financial market and arrived at his office to work at high pressure until lunch time. He complained of a feeling of fullness after food with heartburn and sometimes nausea.

I ADVISED him to have some artificial teeth, so that he could chew his food well, for many of his molars were missing. I also told him to eat his meals at regular hours, to eat them slowly and to rest for half an hour afterwards.

In cases such as this all starchy foods should be restricted and fluids taken about two hours after a meal. No fried dishes are allowed and no indigestible raw salads or hard fruits.

If these directions are carefully followed there is no reason why this middle-aged man and others like him should not be completely fit and well.

(1) Red, Roughened and Chapped

NIGHT treatment. Take off make-up or clean the face, if make-up is not used, with cleansing cream or good cold cream. Wipe off cream with soft tissue.

Rinse face thoroughly with luke-warm water, using a rubber sponge. Dry thoroughly. Pat in skin food or dry skins. If there are any definite cracks or sore places on the face substitute the skin food with fine and eucalyptus ointment, which you can get from your chemist.

There is a special preparation that is very soothing for chapped skins and can be used in the daytime as well as at night. Wipe off cream or ointment before you get into bed.

In the morning sponge with luke-warm water only. If you wear make-up use a special wind-proof cream as a powder foundation.

If you do not use make-up pat in a complexion balm. Dust on powder with swansdown puff. Wipe off all powder. This will prevent a shiny appearance.

(2) Thread Veins and Skins That Flush

NIGHT treatment for complexions with thread veins or that become red and are inclined to burn when entering hot rooms or after meals.

Take off make-up and clean your face with cleansing milk on a pad of cotton wool. Rinse off with warm water. Pat in special skin food. Wipe off afterwards with cleansing tissue.

In the morning sponge with cool water only. Make-up with a liquid foundation. This not only disguises the redness, but has a cooling effect on the skin.

(3) Dry, Sensitive Skins

THIS is the night treatment. Use cleansing milk on a pad of cotton wool. Rinse with warm water.

Pat in skin food specially made for sensitive skins or turtle oil or one of the turtle oil creams. Wipe off with cleansing tissue. In the morning sponge with cool water only.

Make-up with a complexion balm as a powder foundation. This can be used on the neck and hands as well as on the face.

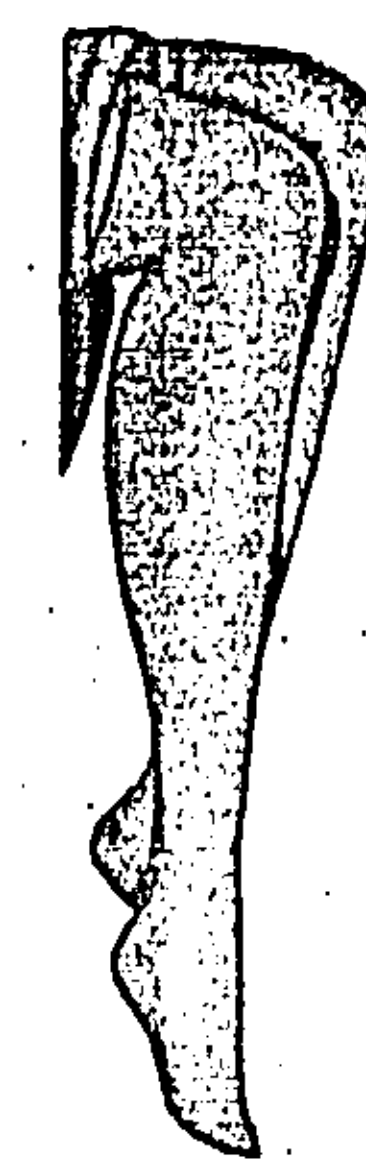
(4) Oily Skins

NIGHT treatment. Soap and water wash with luke-warm water and a good complexion soap, giving the face plenty of friction with a rubber sponge.

Rinse with cool water. Put in skin food for greasy skins. Wipe off afterwards with cleansing tissue. Pat in skin tonic on a pad of cotton wool.

In the morning sponge with cool water only. Make-up with a liquid powder foundation.

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the stalks, cut them up, and add a clove of garlic. Wash the mushrooms and put them upside down on the grill. Cook them for 10 minutes.

Put two spoonfuls of olive oil in a frying-pan and add two onions cut into little pieces. When they are fried to a golden brown add the mushroom stalks and two spoonfuls of tomato juice. Let them simmer for a quarter of an hour, then salt and pepper them.

Arrange the mushrooms in a dish, pour the contents of the frying-pan over them, and sprinkle on each one half a teaspoonful of oil, and a few grated breadcrumbs.

Put the dish in a low oven for 15 minutes, and then serve it garnished with chopped parsley.

Butter Maitre d'Hotel

On a warm plate mix a chunk of butter with salt, pepper, and the juice of a lemon.

Grilled Potatoes

Peel the potatoes and cut them in fairly thick slices. Roll them in crystallised sugar and grill them, seven minutes for each side of the slices.

Arrange them in a dish and serve them with sweet pickles.

Home Page Cook

THERE is nothing more appetising than a well-cooked steak. And there's nothing more difficult to cook successfully. . . . Whether you cook it on a range, a gas stove, or an electric fire, you must follow these rules—

1. Make sure that the piece of meat has been freshly cut.

2. Cut the slices about an inch thick.

3. Sprinkle them with a little oil.

4. Heat the grill before putting the meat underneath it.

5. It is best to cook on an iron grill with round bars.

6. Don't salt the meat until it is cooked . . . and immediately after taking it off the fire. This little detail is very important.

Here are some recipes for a sauce and two vegetables which will go with your steak.

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Five Black Legion Men Shot Negro War Veteran

Detroit, Dec. 21. FIVE members of the terrorist "Black Legion" have been convicted at Detroit of the murder of Silas Coleman, a negro war veteran.

The verdict carries with it a sentence of imprisonment for life. Formal sentence will be pronounced by the judge later.

Coleman was lured to a lonely spot by members of the legion. Five men opened fire on him, but he was only wounded, and bolted.

They chased him, and when his body was found it had 18 bullet wounds.

The "Black Legion" is a powerful secret organization which professes to protect Protestant citizens. It is alleged that people have been

tortured and murdered because they were considered to be immoral or un-American.

Burglar Caught By His Teeth Marks

New York, Dec. 21. Frank Rivers, aged twenty-three, of West Warwick, Rhode Island, was arrested for burglary as a result of his teeth marks being found on a cheese in the larder of the house into which he broke.—Reuter.

MICRO-WAVES SECRET

WORLD RADIO TELEPHONE IN REACH OF ALL

By A Special Correspondent on board the yacht Elettra

Santa Margherita, Dec. 21.

To-day on board the yacht Elettra, lying in the blue waters of the Mediterranean, I witnessed what may be the most remarkable experiment Marconi has yet made.

The famous discoverer of wireless sent his voice seven times round the earth in one second.

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I realised then the importance of what Marconi had demonstrated. Soon Marconi will be able to eliminate the "echo," which is the only obstacle in the path of his discovery.

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M. Titulescu, former Foreign Secretary in Rumania, who was lying seriously ill at St. Moritz, photographed for the first time after his recovery. He is seen leaving his hotel for the Riviera, where he hopes to be able to completely recover his health.

ESCAPED FROM WAR PRISON CAMPS

By A Special Correspondent

London, Dec. 18. The Dinner: Officer Prisoners of War Dining Club. The Banqueting Hall: Park Lane Hotel.

Eighteen years on... each side. It is the year 1918 to which the roots of this dinner club go down.

In the German prison camp at Holzminden at that time were a number of Englishmen who determined to escape.

For 10 months they tunnelled 50 yards under the walls, using a trowel, a chisel, and their bare hands, 20 of them escaped. First away was Lieutenant W. E. Butler; 13th away was Air Commodore C. E. H. Rathborne.

Rathborne, fluent German talker, calmly walked to the railway station, took a ticket to the Dutch border, 150 miles away. In 12 hours he was in Holland, where he sent a postcard to the German commandant at Holzminden, "Thanks for the holiday. See you after the war."

Only 10 of the 29 got right away. Butler was among the 19 who were recaptured.

Anyway, the Holzmindeners dined together when the war was over, and it was from that first reunion that this club of officer prisoners of war, those who escaped and those who didn't was formed, and from which the big horseshoe table last night had its inspiration.

Rathborne was in the chair. Butler, short, slim, alert, was on my right. He told me how it was he failed to make the Dutch frontier.

He tramped part of the 150 miles, cycled the rest on a machine he stole. His food was green apples from trees lining the roads.

An innocent-looking brook was his downfall when he was within a few miles of safety. Thirsty, he drank from it. It was rank. Soon he wobbled and fell. A little later two electric light beams were flashed in his face by a German policeman.

So back to Holzminden, where they fined him 400 francs for stealing the bicycle.

Surprise of the evening was the appearance of Major H. W. Boehm-Tettelbach, German army (retired), who was found staying in the hotel. He was a prisoner of war—at Donington Park, Derbyshire. The English ex-prisoners of war brought him down "for a glass of port," and were understanding as he joined them.

GIVE 'EM PARSON'S IDEA FOR A CHURCH REVIVAL

Sydney, Dec. 21. Religion to-day is wishy-washy, sloppy and insipid, said Rev. N. Kivall, of the City Temple of Christ, Sydney, at a rally of ministers held here.

"If we could put hell into some church members, and into some ministers," he added, "religion would get somewhere."

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"Our social life has necessarily been restricted. My husband sleeps on board in his laboratory while I stay with our little girl, Elettra, in an hotel on shore."

"Still, it has all been worth while."

Susan Calls Out The Brigade

New York, Dec. 21.

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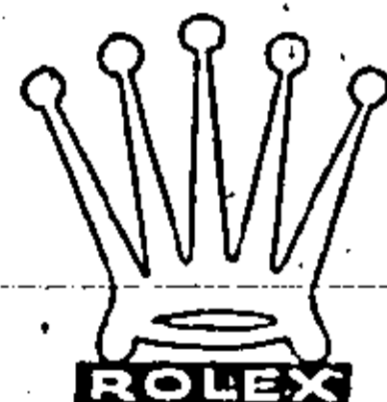
When Susan has a wish Susan translates it into action. She wished to see the fire engines.

So solemnly, she left her home with a wooden box tucked under her arm. She stopped at a fire alarm, raised the wooden box, struck and saw the glass shatter on the sidewalk.

Her wish was fulfilled. The fire-engines came.

So did a large policeman, who collected the entranced Susan, still standing by the shattered alarm, gave her a severe lecture, and took her home.

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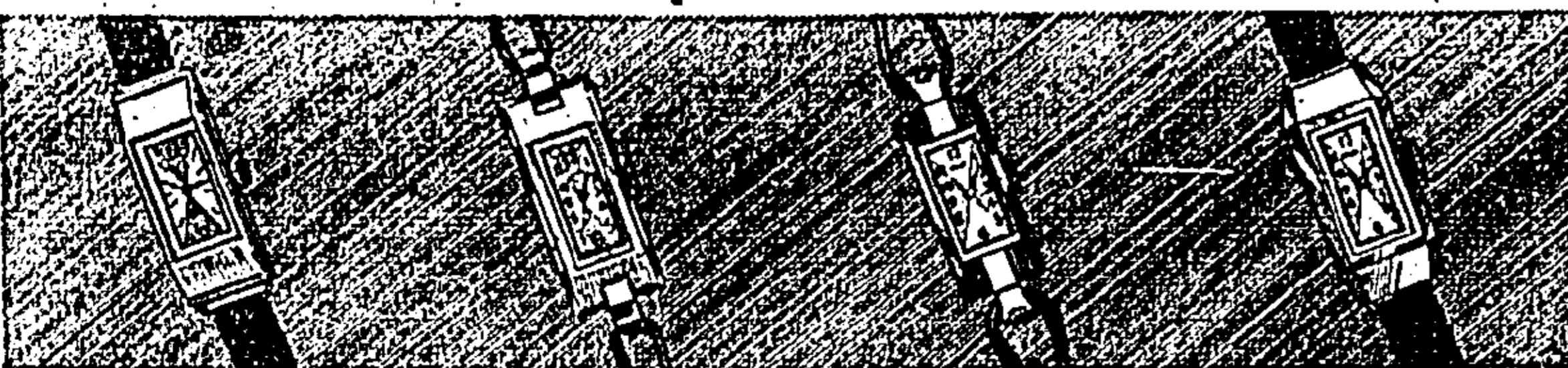


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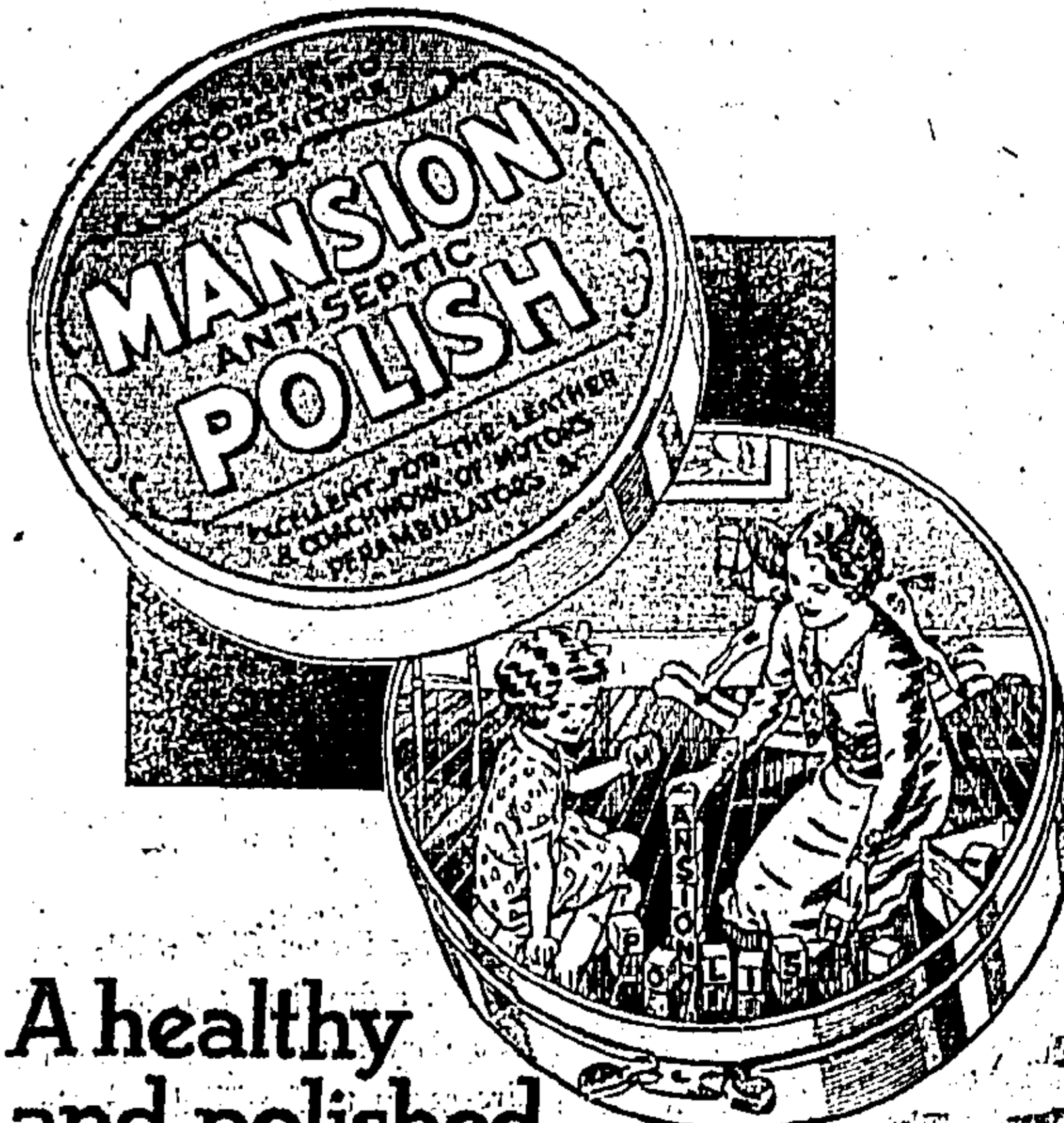
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NOTICE.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Friday, 1st January, 1937, (New Year's Day) and Saturday, 2nd January, 1937. Hongkong, 28th. December, 1936.

NOTICE.

ARMS LICENCES

Holders of Arms Licences are reminded that Arms Licences are due for renewal on 1st January, 1937 (Fee \$10.00 per Licence). Licensees should call at the Accounts Office, Police Headquarters between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily. (Sundays and Public Holidays excepted), with their arms and Licences.

Sd. T. H. KING,
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London, Dec. 29.
Another stage in the development of part of the Government's housing programme, which aims at the abatement of overcrowding, has been reached with the issue of an order by the Minister of Health fixing July 1 next as the appointed day for bringing the relevant provisions of the 1935 Housing Act into operation in a further 150 areas which were exempted from the first order, issued in June last, and a subsequent order, owing to the extent of overcrowding in those areas revealed in a recent survey and the need for extra time to cope with the problem.

Several Metropolitan Boroughs and large provincial towns are included among the areas affected by the new order. Out of total of 1,477 areas in the country as a whole, only 59 remain where the Act will not be in operation by next July.—British Wireless.

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OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
	Wednesday	
Samshul and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Wed., Dec. 30, 4.00 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Bangalore	Wed., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
	Thursday	
Port Bayard	Wing Wo	Thurs., Dec. 31, 10 a.m.
Air Mail for Canton and Districts	C.N.A.C. plane	Thurs., Dec. 31, G.P.O. and K.F.O.
	Reg.	Dec. 31, Noon.
	Letters	Dec. 31, 12.30 p.m.
	Friday	
Air Mail for Swatow, Amoy, Foo-C.N.A.C. plane	Chia (via	Fri., Jan. 1.
Shanghai and North China	Shengwan P.O.	Reg., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Dec. 31, 7 p.m.
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East Asia Bank, \$83 n.

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Douglas, \$30 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$7.40 n.
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Providents (old), \$1.70 b.
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$4 n.
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Kailan Mining Ad., 15/6 n.
Rauha, \$13.10 n.
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Antamoks, P. 1.85
Atoks, P. 55
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SNATCHING CASE RE-HEARING

MISTAKEN IDENTITY DEFENCE

Submitting that where there was the defence of mistaken identity, the movements of the parties concerned should have been gone into more carefully, Mr. F. G. Nigel successfully asked Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning to re-hear the case of Mok Woo, aged 24, an employee of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, who was convicted on Monday last of having snatched a handbag from Mrs. C. Mann of No. 2 Kennedy Road, "E" Block.

Mr. Nigel said that, looking at the depositions, it seemed to him that the movements of the parties concerned should have been gone into more carefully, especially where there was the defence of mistaken identity. When he was originally charged, defendant denied the offence, saying that he was on his way to an address in Kennedy Road to take a receipt for several bottles of wine delivered earlier in the day.

Mrs. Mann alleged defendant snatched her handbag near Flagstaff House on Christmas Eve, and her evidence was corroborated by Cpl. McNeiland who made the arrest.

The case will be re-heard at 3 p.m. to-morrow.

BRITISH LADS SAFE

WENT SAILING IN SMALL CUTTER

Some anxiety was felt last night for the safety of three British boys, aged between 12 and 16 years, belonging to the Royal Ulster Rifles, who put out from Shamshulpo at three o'clock in the afternoon in a small cutter. They were subsequently seen sailing between Stonecutters Island and Lanchilok, but later were untraced for several hours.

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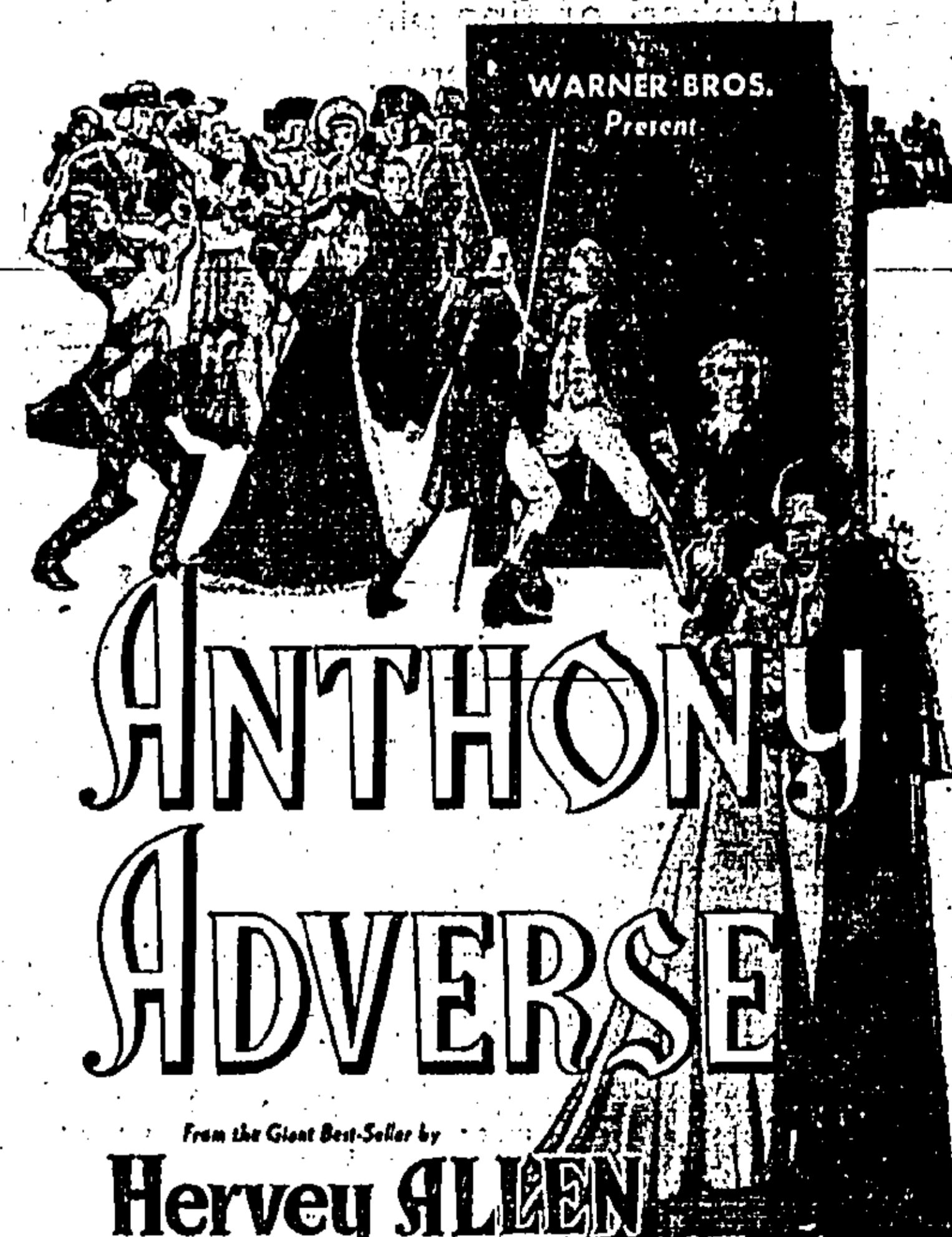
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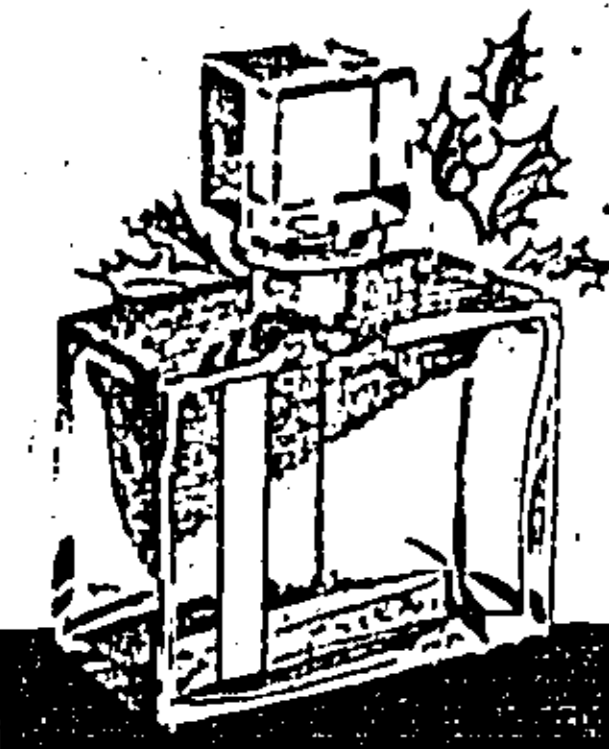
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DEATH.

ROJDESTVIN.—Captain N. A.
Rojdestvin, died after a short ill-
ness in Kowloon Hospital, at 1
a.m., 30th December, 1936.
(Shanghai Newspapers please
copy).

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1936.

TRADE AND TARIFFS

Canada and the United King-
dom are negotiating for revision
of the Ottawa agreement which
governs their trade relations.
Mainly, the desire for reform
arose in Great Britain, follow-
ing the Canadian trade accord
with the United States. It is
the contention of the United
Kingdom that the Canadian-
American treaty has the effect
of nullifying the preferential
advantages which were the basis
of the Ottawa agreement; and
that is probably true. Britain,
in short, wants a "guarantee
margin" of preference.

If the case for the United
Kingdom appears sound, that
for the Dominion is scarcely less
reasonable. And probably it
would be wise to mention, at
this juncture, that whereas the
Canadian Government which
approved the Ottawa agreement
was of the Conservative persua-
sion, the "perpetrators" of the
Canadian-American reciprocal
treaty were Liberals. To many
these acts by the immediately-
past and present Governments
in Canada reflect the chief
political difference of the major
parties. It is a political differ-
ence which is completely
economic.

To go back to the Canadian
argument for reciprocity, we
must point out that America is
Canada's best customer. And
since politics are pretty closely
bound up with trade, and the
first axiom of trade, as in any
business, is to please one's cus-
tomer, it becomes apparent that
the Dominion may well be torn
between the desire to favour
Britain, for sentimental as well
as more practical reasons, and
the equally strong impulse to
avoid offending the United
States—whence comes so much
of her income.

The average *ad valorem* rate
of duty on dutiable United King-
dom products is 26.74; on
American products 26.29. But
it seems to have made little dif-
ference that the American trade
should benefit, in the average,
by a fraction of one per cent.
Canada imported \$55,967,230 of
British dutiable goods last year,
on which she collected \$14,966,
000; to American traders she

What bores this dieting craze
can make of us all! Why not—

EAT—and be
MERRY!

By
Lt.-Col.
C. P. HAWKES

the well-known Soldier, Author,
and Bon Vivant

"I EAT what I like and
drink what I like"
explained Charles
Keene's cheery octogenarian
in a "Punch" of the 'eighties
"and then I go to bed and
let 'em fight it out among
'emselves!"

But the old hedonist came of
a more philosophic and less
neurotic generation which still
regarded meal-times as occa-
sions for the expression of hap-
piness instead of hypochondria,
of festivity rather than of fads.

He lived in golden days when
it was the board that groaned
and not the people round it.

Cooking was plainer and bet-
ter, dietetics were in their
infancy, and slimming was a
matter more of accident than
design, concerned with staylances
rather than with stinting.

Genial Interlude

YET the world went fairly
well then, and grown-ups as
well as children thanked Heaven
for their good dinners and
actually enjoyed the kindly
fruits of the earth at meal-
times, which presented, in con-
sequence, a happy combination
of these material concomitants
with a feast of reason and a
flow of soul.

Not that mere gluttony ever
connoted gaiety, nor was wit
necessarily the outcome of wine-
bibbing; but our fathers ate and
drank more cheerfully than we
do and looked on a hearty break-
fast as the normal prelude to a
sound day's work, in which
lunch was a genial interlude and
not just an interval for refuel-
ling, and to which a simple,
well-cooked dinner was the ap-
propriate *cuius*.

But in our more sophisticated
days all the "ics"—*dietetics, ethics,*
economics, politics, and even
athletics—have invaded the
menu.

Dietetics dictate the bill-of-
fare, *Ethics* the alcoholic content
of the drinks, *Economics* rule
the price and quality of the
food, and *Politics* its nature and
origin—for milk and meat have
their Boards to-day—and *Ath-*
letics, no longer a relaxation but
an end in themselves, impose
prohibitions on all ages and
both sexes.

How often does one hear: "I
daren't eat this, I must never
touch that, because it affects
my swing or my short game,
my singles play, my high dive,
or my wind over hurdles."
(Cricketers, it should be noted,
are of all athletes the most im-
mune from food-fads).

Dinner has come to be
eaten almost apologetically
and with a picksome re-
serve, and as to liquids, the
kindly gastric juices are too
frequently flooded with
tepid water.

Folk-lunches have imported
the hustle of the quick-lunch
counter into private hospitality.
Malnutrition, on which medi-
cal pundits are now so busy
lecturing us, is the re-
sult not so much of

paid \$189,838,436 for which she
took duty of \$49,902,003.

In 1929-30, when the condi-
tions were reversed, and the
average *ad valorem* duty was
25.46 to Britain and only 23.34
to the United States; British
exports to Canada were \$148,-
643,048 (duty \$37,846,167),
American \$523,299,322 (duty
\$122,122,853). In these figures
rests Canada's case.

We agree that Canada's
favourable trade balance with
Britain is \$204,560,000 as
against one of only \$52,648,000
with the United States, and that
the income from tariffs is not
the only sort of duty Canada
should consider when dealing
with her Motherland. Just the
same, we can see the logic of the
argument of the Ottawa Govern-
ment.

scarcely or profiteering (sound
foodstuffs have never been
cheaper or more plentiful) as of
sheer laziness and a widespread
proneness to perpetual hustle.

Of prevalent fads vegetari-
anism is, of course, the oldest-
established, but it is interesting
to reflect that if men had never
tasted flesh they might still be
chattering in the tree-tops.

Fruitarianism is another re-
actionary cult. Our first
parents were fruitarians until
Adam invented agriculture and
Eve the Textile Industry, when
their progressive labours re-
sulted in a healthier human
appetite demanding a more
sustaining diet.

Kills Sociability

AND so to-day a home-grown
apple, eaten raw first thing
or decently cooked as an item
in almost any meal, is still a
prize fit for a twentieth-century
Venus.

Selection and moderation are
one thing, but deliberate ab-
stention from food by women
from motives of vanity and
fashion is another.

As a direct cause of tuber-
culosis—the deadliest disease of
modern supercivilisation—this
should be punishable as a crime
against Public Health.

The ladies of an earlier age
considered eating ill-bred, un-
healthy, and unspiritual, and
succeeded in making good food

disgusting to themselves. This
bred "the vapours" (now dis-
guised as "temperament").

As a result the graph of
tuberculosis cases among wo-
men shows an upward curve.

Moreover, whatever form
food-fads may take, their pre-
valence tends to kill sociability
and good table-talk.

Slimmers and dietists
alike are too preoccupied
for the amenities of con-
versation and their pre-
occupation is inimical to the
proper social influence of
good food.

They offer instead a querulous
and egotistical catalogue of
their personal prejudices which
would have been anathema to
the great men and women of
the past, who, though seldom
epicureans, were good conversa-
tionists and discerning diners.

Wisely and Well

FANNY BURNLEY and Lady
Holland talked and ate with
equal zest; Dr. Johnson was at
his best with a plate of veal
and prunes, as was Coleridge
over Devonshire apple-dumplings,
Wordsworth in front of a
joint of Westmorland mutton,
or Charles Lamb before a second
helping of hare.

Let us do our best, there-
fore, to perpetuate this
great tradition, and dine
and talk wisely and well,
abjuring faddishness as
anti-social and unhygienic.

A meal to-night, for instance,
of grilled trout, lamb cutlets
and new potatoes, or ducklings
and green peas, topped-up with
new-gathered strawberries or
some peaches warm from the
wall and washed down by a
sufficiency of a well-chosen '29
hock should evoke our happiest
converse and send us to bed at
peace without and, unlike
Charles Keene's old gentleman,
within as well.

NO CHRISTMAS—BY ORDER

CELEBRATION of Christmas was once forbidden for sixteen years by
the House of Commons—during Cromwell's time.

Over in Norway the farmers give their cattle a tub of home-brewed
ale on Christmas Eve.

In Madrid at 12 midnight on Christmas Eve everyone eats twelve
grapes for good luck during the coming year.

The most famous Christmas present in the world is "Alice in Wonder-
land"—written by Lewis Carroll—as a gift for a little girl's stocking.
Throughout Hungary at Christmas time collections are levied on the
richer citizens to buy food and drink for the poor for no one must go
hungry during Christmas celebrations.

The exact date of Christ's birth is not known and Christmas has been
celebrated on more than 100 different days throughout the world. Pope
Julius I, in the year 351, decreed that Christmas Day should be December
25.

In Shakespeare's time Christmas festivities lasted for twelve days—
and no one did a stroke of work during then. Merrie England with a
vengeance!

There are 175 different kinds of holly in the world.
Ellis Parker, detective in New Jersey, is swamped each year by a
shoal of Christmas cards sent him by prisoners he has sent to gaol.

BAD HABITS AT BRIDGE

Thousands play bridge—thousands
more think they do. Some now play
contract, but the vast majority stand-
fastly continue to play auction—
merely using the contract scoring.
This serves the dual purpose of
making them feel up-to-date and re-
moving any necessity for extra
thought, such as might be needed
if really learning contract.

Whatever brand of bridge they
play, the growth of certain dis-
tressing habits seems to be spreading
among the great rank and file of
players.

Why, for instance, do so many
people find it necessary continually
to fiddle with their cards, passing
them backwards and forwards be-
tween their fingers all the time they
are playing? They give the impres-
sion they are always looking for
some kind of super-ace of trumps—
so far unvented—which they sus-
pect is secreted in their hand.

Just Nerves

If they arrange their hand in a
fan they don't need to move it again.
They can see everything in it, in-
cluding what isn't in it, painfully
plainly. Any further fiddling about

must just be nervousness, and it be-
comes very tedious for others.

Then why do some players ap-
parently grip their cards in a vice-
like grasp, necessitating a terrible
tug from the other hand to extract
any card, and frequently causing an
extra one to fall as well? It's a
funny habit.

Some conscientious souls solemnly
count their cards after receiving
them, and generally in an audible
voice. Carefulness in checking
things can be carried too far; the
deal is rarely wrong without being
noticed by someone. Why waste
time? The "counters" are usually
not renowned for arranging their
hands quickly in any case.

The Smouldering Cigarette

Smoking seems inseparable from
bridge, but we would all rather be
without the person who lights a
cigarette and then lays it on the ash-
tray to smoulder till it burns away.
The smell of a smouldering cigarette
is not a pleasant one. The smoke
from table-level generally gets into
other people's eyes, and mouths are
meant to hold cigarettes anyway.

Another unpleasant little trick
some have is of accusing their

Walking
Makes
Men
Think

HAVE you ever noticed how apt
you are to walk when you are
under the stress of some violent
emotion?

The worried husband paces up
and down with a final notice in his
hand; the anxious lover moves rest-
lessly while he awaits his tardy
lady; and the fearful patient in a
dentist's waiting-room can not sit
still.

Walking, they find, has a soothing
effect on the tumult of their mind,
and unwittingly they have stumbled
on the real secret of the walkers of
history.

Walking is always conducive to
thought, Buddha himself used to
"walk in meditation on the lawn of
the peacocks." St. Paul was another
who walked on his last visit to
Jerusalem, "for so had he appointed,
minding himself to go on foot."

The famous philosophic school
founded by Aristotle is called still
the Peripatetic school, a name given
from the Greek *peripatēin* "to walk
about." The term arose either from
Aristotle's own habit of walking up
and down as he delivered his lec-
tures or from the porch of the
Lyceum along which the pupils and
their master used to stroll.

Achilles used to walk by the side
of the grey sea and bemoan his sad
lot, for he knew he was fated not
to return alive from the siege of
Troy.

Shut Out

Rousseau, to come to more modern
times, was a great walker. In fact,
the whole French Revolution might
almost be said to have been caused
by one of his walks.

When he was serving as an ap-
prentice to an engraver in Geneva
he went out one Sunday evening for
his usual walk in the country. At
the time Geneva was surrounded
by a wall. The gates were shut
every night at eight o'clock. Rou-
seau was late by a few seconds,
actually in sight of the gates, when
the officer in charge shut them.

As he had already suffered for
being late he decided not to face
the beating that awaited him, and
started off that same night on the
tour of wandering and vagabondage
which made the prophet of the
French Revolution.

Later Rousseau wrote his "Con-
fessions." In them he said that if
he had not been left outside that
night he would have probably been
a happy and contented citizen. He
also said, "What I regret most is
that I kept no record of my
journeys. Never have I thought
so much, existed so much, been so
much myself, if I may dare to say
it, as when I went alone and afoot."

Another famous walk is the march
of Napoleon to Moscow, which was
one of the main causes of his down-
fall.

Xenophon and ten thousand Greeks
once marched right through Asia
Minor with an enemy army twenty
times their size waiting to attack
them.

March to Lucknow

In India the British Army's most
famous march was to the relief of
Lucknow, when the relieving troops
marched over thirty miles a day.

In comparatively recent times
many of the philosophical essayists
have found in walking comfort and
solace. Emerson and Thoreau were
both great walkers, and Carlyle once
walked from Muirkirk to Dumfries,
a distance of fifty-four miles, in a
single day.

Wordsworth was always trying to
find the secret of that strange solace
he found in Nature, and his friend
Coleridge was agreed by his con-
temporaries to be the perfect com-
panion on a long walk.

Hazlitt wrote an essay, "On Going
on a Journey," which Robert Louis
Stevenson thought so much of that
he said a tax should be put on all
who had not read it. Stevenson,
who himself used to tramp in the
South of France with a donkey to
carry his pack, agreed with Hazlitt
that truly to appreciate a walk the
traveler should walk alone. He
also mentions the solace to be found
in walking.

When walking has been for so
many centuries a philosophical
exercise, it is a pity that it has been
degraded in modern times into that
cross between a paper chase and a
fancy dress parade known as hiking.
F. W. G.

opponents of "boosting" them up
when they've gone "one down"
several successive times. They don't
have to go any higher than their
hand warrants. Maybe they were
doing the boosting!

All things considered, there is
quite enough bad temper generated
at bridge by the actual play alone
without adding to it by irritating
little personal mannerisms which are
quite needless. Everyone knows
people who have these annoying
habits, but they never have any
themselves. They might get a
shock if they knew what their
opponents' and partners' opinions
were.

L. S. P.

Sultan's Sons Take He Gifts Bought At A Sixpenny Store

"HOME"—HER LAST WISH

New York, Dec. 21. Mrs. THOMAS WHIFFEN left London 70 years ago, became U.S.A.'s "grand old lady" of the stage. She died last night, left instructions that her ashes be taken to London for burial.

She was 91, retired in 1928 because her voice failed her. Since then she had lived in a farmhouse. Mrs. Whiffen established a record in U.S.A. by playing 400 roles in her 63 years on the stage.

Sent Home 26,000 Insects

WOMAN'S TRIP IN THE JUNGLE

Sydney, Dec. 21. An Englishwoman who has just spent ten months in the New Guinea jungle, with natives as her only companions, is on her way back to London.

She is Miss L. E. Cheesman, an entomologist. During her New Guinea trip she sent back to the British Museum 300 fish, 600 reptiles, and 26,000 insects.

She had with her three native carriers and four camp boys.

But Miss Cheesman treated the dangers of the jungle as just part of her job. For her the biggest thrill was finding a new or rare specimen.

AIR MINISTRY PLANS STOLEN Document Taken From Motor Car

London, Dec. 21. Scotland Yard detectives were last night investigating two remarkable robberies—the theft of secret Air Ministry plans from a car and an unnoticed attack on a diamond dealer in a taxi cab by three men who slit his pocket and escaped with £720 worth of valuables.

Motor thieves who rifled an unattended car in Warwick Road, Kensington, included in their booty confidential Air Ministry plans and drawings described as "of the Bristol Aircraft Company."

The documents were in a brown leather satchel left beside four suitcases, which contained articles valued at about £150. The thieves also stole a five-valve radio set in a red leather case.

The property belonged to Mr. G. Redmond, of North Road, Bristol, who, it is understood, recently returned from a business trip to Japan.

THROWN AWAY?

Throughout yesterday Scotland Yard detectives were searching for the documents. It is possible that they were thrown away by the thieves.

The West End of London is at present in the throes of an epidemic of thefts from cars, and this raid was

Murder Attempt To Save Pocket

London, Dec. 21. "THE unemployed in this country behave well and do not resort to acts of murder or attempted murder to save their pockets," Mr. Justice Singleton told a father who was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude at the Old Bailey for attempting to murder his baby daughter by throwing her over a railway bridge.

The man, John W. C. Steptey (24), a fine arts assistant of Purcell Crescent, North Fulham, had pleaded "financial difficulties."

"Your counsel described it as a tragedy that unemployment brings. That sort of tragedy does not occur often through unemployment or any other cause," the judge continued.

"If I thought there was a danger of that I should pass an even longer sentence on you as a public warning. In view of your youth, the sentence is comparatively short."

Mr. G. B. McClure, prosecuting, said the child was put in the care of a foster-mother, who was paid 12s. 6d. a week, and on Nov. 9 Steptey had difficulty in making the payment and took the baby away.

"A MIRACLE"

The same evening a man crossing a bridge at Blackheath saw an empty pram and looking over the parapet noticed a bundle between the running rail and the live rail.

"You may think it is a miracle that the child is alive," said Mr. McClure. "A number of trains passed over the track on which the child was. She was under the live rail and sparks were appearing to strike through her."

Mr. Morvyn Griffith Jones, defending, appealing for leniency, said there could be no doubt that financial difficulties had preyed on Steptey to such an extent that when he committed the act he had lost his power of reason. He was a man of good character.

AND SUITS "OF THE PEG"

LORRY FOR LUGGAGE By GWYN LEWIS

CHAUFFEURS and taxicab drivers waiting in the courtyard of one of London's luxury hotels sat up astonished.

They saw a procession of servants carrying fifteen steaming trunks emerge from the hotel. An air of hurried excitement filled the courtyard.

The pots were presently placed in a van which drove off with one of the servants as escort.

Onlookers to this, strange scene did not know that a sultan and his court were about to leave for the Far East, taking with them ready cooked food for the early stages of the journey.

It was in this fashion that the 75-year-old Sultan of Selangor, recipient of £15,000 a year, ruler of half a million people and 3,150 square miles of the richest territory in the Empire, left for his kingdom in Malaya last week.

The sultan has been staying at Grosvenor House, Park-lane, W., since the beginning of October.

FAVOURITE WIFE

The sultan came with a court of twenty-four, including Queen Anjong, favourite of his four wives, and seven of his 43 children.

There were extraordinary happenings during the days that were spent packing for the voyage home.

U.S.A. Slavery Charge

PAUL PEACHER, planter and town marshal of Earle, Arkansas, will go on trial in the Federal Court at Jonesboro this month.

He is charged with "aiding and abetting in causing persons to be held as slaves," and with "falsely arresting eight negroes and working them on his East Arkansas estate last spring, during a cotton choppers' strike."

Peacher is the first person indicted under the post Civil War Anti-Slavery legislation of 1860.

Hostile Crowd Demonstrates

HOW "BLOOD" WAS MANUFACTURED

Declaring it to be a very serious affair, Inspector W. R. Chester-Woods asked for a warrant to be issued for the arrest of Cheung Yuk, 27, unlicensed hawk, when he failed to appear before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to answer a charge of assaulting a constable while in the execution of his duty. Cheung's bail of \$50 was also estreated.

Outlining the facts of the case, Inspector Chester-Woods said that on December 29, the constable, C389, Chan Chiu, arrested a man for hawking without a licence in Tai Nam Street. As he was about to take his prisoner to Shamshuipo Police Station, Cheung came up from behind and pushed him. The captured hawk managed to break free and run away.

When the constable tried to arrest Cheung, several other men gathered around and assaulted him, forcing him to the ground. Taking out his whistle, the policeman blew several times, scaring his assailants off. He then managed to arrest Cheung, and took him to the police station, followed by a hostile crowd.

At the station, Cheung complained to Inspector Chester-Woods that he had been assaulted by the constable. A medical examination at the Kowloon Hospital later on, proved, however, that there was nothing wrong with him.

Meanwhile the crowd gathered outside the station and a woman started to cause a disturbance, crying and wailing. Going out, Inspector Chester-Woods asked her what was wrong, and, holding out a wad of Chinese paper soaked in red liquid, she declared that her brother had been badly beaten by the police and had vomited blood over the paper.

Inside the station she identified Cheung as her brother.

Examining the "blood" soaked paper, the Inspector found it to be saturated with red ink. The woman confessed that the crowd outside had suggested it to her as a method of freeing Cheung.

A warrant for Cheung's arrest was issued.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

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Mar.	12.51/52	12.35/35	
May	12.41/43	12.25/25	
July	12.34/34	12.18/18	
Sept.	12.24/24	11.70/70	
Spot	13.11	12.06	

New York Rubber			
Mar.	23.20/20	22.35/40	
May	22.92/94	22.20/22	
July	22.50/50	21.94/94	
Sept.	22.38/40	21.94/94	
Total sales:	4,180 tons.		

Chicago Wheat			
May	135 1/2/135 3/4	134 1/2/134 3/4	
July	118 1/2/118 3/4	115 1/2/115 3/4	
Monday's sales:	40,002,000 bushels.		

Chicago Corn			
May	104 1/2/104 3/4	104 1/2/104 3/4	
July	100 1/2/101	100 1/2/100 3/4	
Sept.	99 1/2/99 3/4		

Chicago Corn			
New Contract New Contract Opening Closing			
May	103 1/2/103 3/4	103 1/2/103 3/4	
July	102 1/2/103	102 1/2/103	

Winnipeg Wheat			
Dec.	127 1/2/127 3/4	127 1/2/127 3/4	
May	129 1/2/129 3/4	127 1/2/127 3/4	

While working at the Asiatic Petroleum Company's installation at North Point, Wong Cheuk, aged 23, a fitter, caught his hand in a machine belt and received injuries, which caused his removal to the Government Civil Hospital.

RADIO BROADCAST

Fifth Talk on Early Days Of Cricket

DANCE MUSIC

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z. E. W. on a Wavelength of 355 metres (86.5 kcs.), 31.49 metres (9.52 megacycles).

5 p.m. A Relay of Dance Music from the Hongkong Hotel Roof-Garden.

Studio—Children's Concert.

6.30 p.m. A Light Concert.

Soprano Solo—A Summer Night (Marzials and Goring Thomas).... Doris Vane; Tenor Solo—Ashore (Bingham, Trotter).... Frank Titterton; Violin Solo—Liebestreu (Love's Joy).... Fritz Kocler; Contralto Solo—My Ain Folk (Lemon, Mills).... Mary Kay; Tenor Solo—My dear soul (Sanderson).... Frank Titterton; Pianoforte Solo—Polka De W. R. (Rachmaninoff), Polka en traineaux, Op. 37, No. 11. (In a three-horse sleigh) (Tchikovsky).... Serg. Rachmaninoff; Tenor Solo—Oh! No John (arr. Sharp).... Frank Titterton.

7 p.m. The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

Villanelle (With the Swallow), (Dell'Acqua, arr. Winterbottom); Acclamations Waltz (Waldteufel); The Old Frog Pond (Characteristic), (Aitken); "Faintness at Kensington" Selection (German); The Smithy in the wood (Michaels); Songs of Scotland (arr. Duthill).

7.30 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m. Three Songs by Francis Day (Soprano).

"What is this thing? I'm a fool for loving you; You have that extra something."

7.45 p.m. From the Studio. The fifth of a series of talks on "The early days of Cricket" by R. Abbit.

8 p.m. Time, Weather, and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. From the Studio. A Chinese Concert.

11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z. E. W. on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.05 p.m. Suite No. 2 in B minor for Flutes and Strings (Rach) by Willem Mengelberg and His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

8.30 p.m. Operatic Gems.

"Oberon" (Weber)—Ocean, Du Ungeheuer (Ocean, thou mighty monster), Maria Nemeth (Soprano); "Faust" (Gounod)—Scene de l'Elisabeth (Church Scene), Maryse Beaulieu, E. Gordon and Chorus; "Carmen" (Bizet)—Toreador's Song.... Trio: Riccardo Stracelli, A. Appoloni, E. Ricordi and Chorus; "Barbier de Sivilgia (Rossini)—Largo al Factotum.... Riccardo Stracelli (Baritone).

8.55 p.m. London—News and Announcements.

9.15 p.m. A Variety Programme. Orchestra—Why couldn't it be poor little me.... Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Song—"Glamorous Night".... Mary Ellis (Soprano); Hawaiian Swanee Moon.... George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet; Vocal—Maybe I'm wrong again, Back to those happy days, Leslie Hutchinson; Song—Solitude.... Lucienne Rover, (Soprano); Piano Duet—"Robert" Selection.... Arthur Young and Reginald Forsythe; Song—Melody at Dawn.... Grace Fields; Violin Solo—The Violin Song from "Tina".... Albert Sandler; Song—Lullaby of Broadway.... Dick Powell; Piano Solo—Charlie, Kunz Piano Medley, No. 9.... Charlie Kunz; Band—Rumba Medley.... Cuban Marimba Band; Vocal Duet—Lazybones.... Layton and Johnstone.

10 p.m. London—Big Ben.

Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

The following wave-length and frequency are observed by Daventry.

Stn.	Frequency	Wave-length
GSA	8,000 kcs.	45.50 metres
GSH	8,110 kcs.	37.45 metres
GSC	8,220 kcs.	36.30 metres
GSD	11,750 kcs.	25.52 metres
GSE	11,860 kcs.	25.32 metres
GSP	15,140 kcs.	19.82 metres
GSG	17,740 kcs.	16.90 metres
GSH	17,870 kcs.	16.80 metres
GSI	18,280 kcs.	16.40 metres
GSL	21,580 kcs.	13.86 metres
GSM	24,110 kcs.	12.44 metres
GSP	15,140 kcs.	19.82 metres

Transmission 1.

(G.S.B., G.S.H.)

7 p.m. Big Ben. Piano Synchronization.

7.15 p.m. "World Affairs."

7.30 p.m. "British and Beyond."

8 p.m. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.

8.40 p.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 8.45 p.m.

Transmission 2

(G.S.G., G.S.H.)

7.15 p.m. Big Ben. Cinema Organ Recital.

7.30 p.m. "World Affairs."

7.40 p.m. "British and Beyond."

8 p.m. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.

8.40 p.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 8.45 p.m.

Transmission 3

(G.S.B., G.S.F., G.S.H.)

10 p.m. Big Ben. Musical Comedy.

10.15 p.m. "Empire Exchange."

10.30 p.m. The Northern Ireland Drama

11.30 p.m. Pianoforte Recital.

12 a.m. "British and Beyond."

12.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.45 a.m.

12.50 a.m. The John MacArthur Quintet.

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PERRY AND VINES IN GREATEST TENNIS MATCH OF DECADE NEXT WEDNESDAY'S THRILLER

(By "Veritas")

THE world of tennis will be on tip-toes come a week to-day. The greatest tennis match of the decade is being staged: a match which has aroused more interest, speculation and anticipatory excitement than any encounter among the world's leading players for many years. At Madison Square Gardens, Fred J. Perry, ex-amateur champion of the world meets Ellsworth H. Vines, present professional champion of the universe, and finally, after four years of futile speculation, the world will be able to satisfy itself as to which of the two is the finer player.

Current Form As Guide

SO much has been written and said about the relative merits of Vines

and Perry, that it has had the effect of creating two distinct bodies of opinion: those who pronounce that Perry, on his day, cannot be beaten by anybody in the world, and those who are equally emphatic concerning Vines' predominance over all his contemporaries. And while those opinions are based on current form they are entitled to due respect. It is only when partisans begin to insist on comparing the players of four and five years ago that one feels they are on false and unfair premises. The history of the Vines-Perry encounters during the former's days as an amateur player is interesting, but not particularly instructive as data for current form. It is true that Vines beat Perry four times in 1931 (on American courts), but if this is to have any significance, it should also be recalled that a year later Perry beat the young American in the Davis Cup Inter-Zone final in Paris, and that it was in 1932 that Perry became one of the world's foremost exponents.

Comparative Experiences

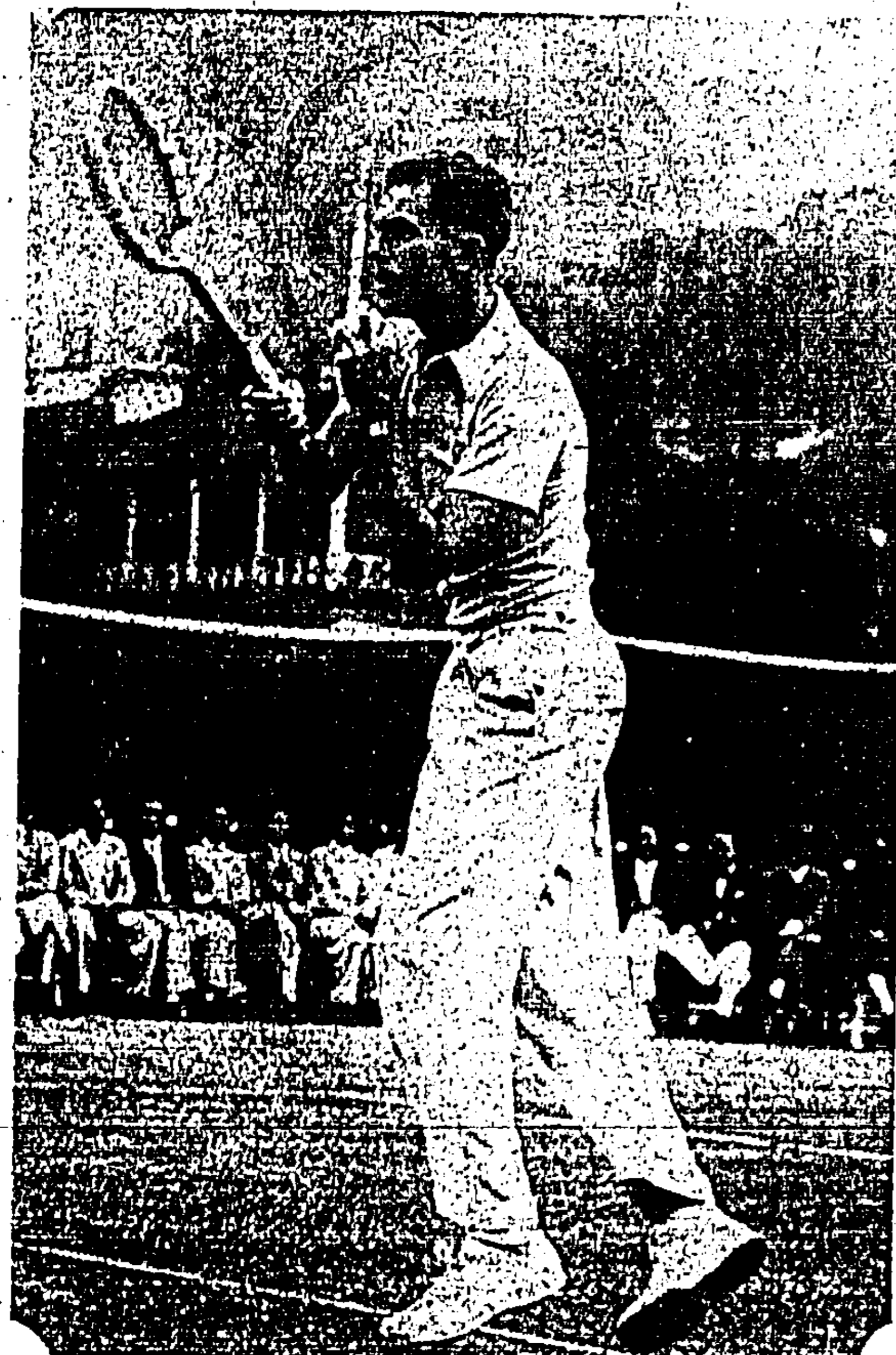
SINCE then Perry and Vines have never met in a competition match. Vines turned professional immediately after that fatal game with the Englishman, so that one's opinions as to the players must be based on performances since then in their respective spheres. This study immediately shows that although Vines has won the world's professional championship against an array of talent such as Nusslein, Tilden, Lester Stoeffen, George Lott, Henri Cochet, and others, Perry has three times in succession captured the Blue Ribband at Wimbledon in the face of a much more imposing galaxy of amateur "Stars." Not only this, but he has three times journeyed over to America during this period and carried off the U.S. title in the teeth of enormous opposition: he has won the Australian and French championships, and has remained unbeaten in the Davis Cup for three years.

Both At Their Peak

PERRY's last acts before turning professional were to win Wimbledon and the United States titles. Vines last act before starting on his Far Eastern tour with Tilden this year was to win the professional championship of the world. Both therefore, in their respective spheres of amateur and professional tennis could be said to have attained peak form. They are well fitted to take the court for the greatest match of the decade. Temperamentally they are totally dissimilar. Perry, mercenary, inclined to be quick-tempered, and always full of flourish; Vines, studious, equable, and somewhat laconic. The very clash of two such personalities is a guarantee that their match on January 6 will provide thousands of onlookers with an exciting spectacle.

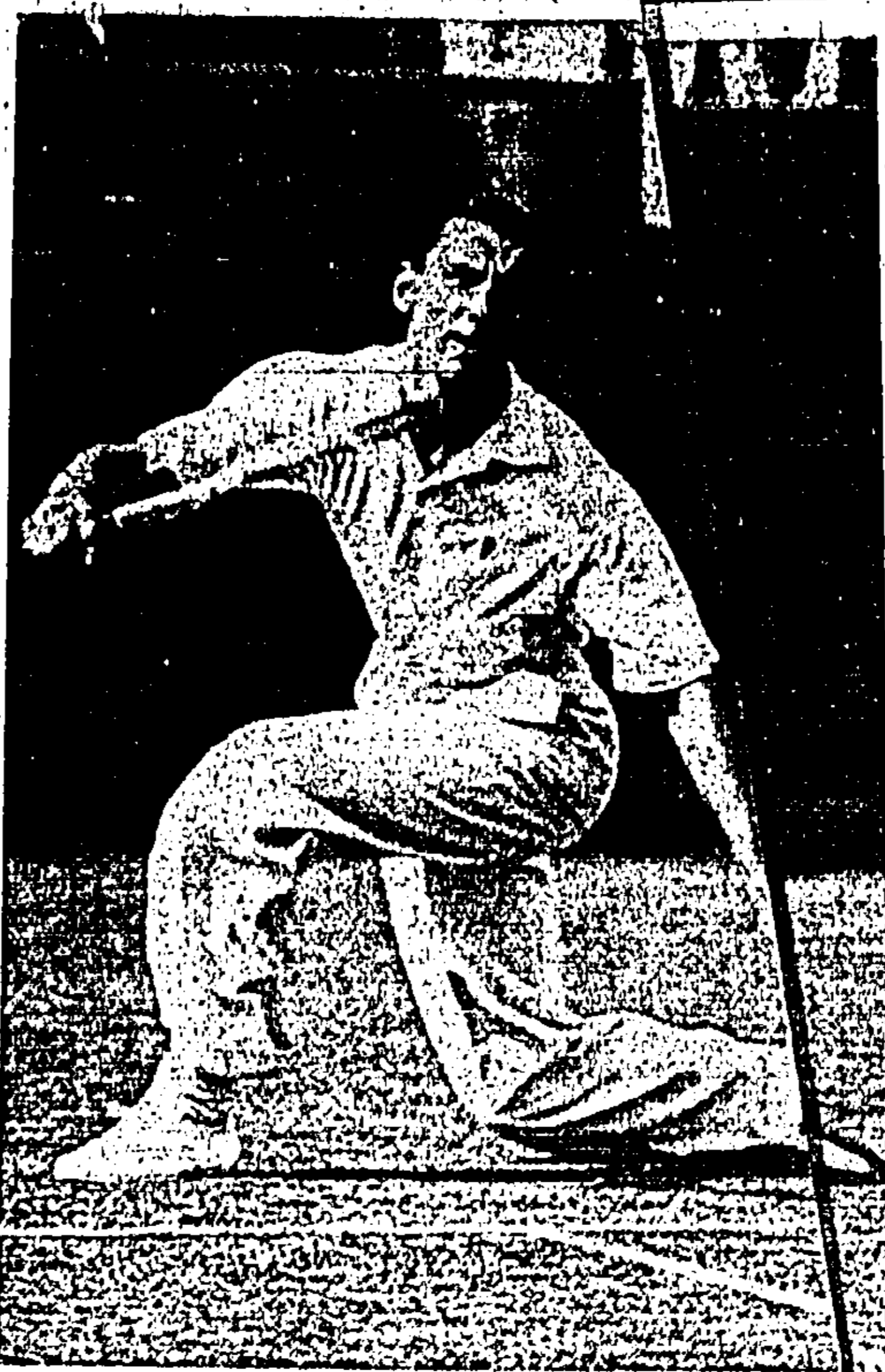
Perry's Advantage

TO make a comparison of their stroke equipment is a much more difficult matter. Time was when Vines could beat Perry on the strength of his cannon-ball service and searing fore-hand drives. But later came a time when Perry knew how to counter both well enough to impose his own attacking strokes on Vines. I believe Perry is still capable of accomplishing this. It is pretty certain that Vines will try to pierce Perry's backhand wing which, despite his record of achievement, is comparatively speaking, a very vulnerable part of Perry's game. On the other hand one wonders whether Vines can counter those amazing forehanders of the Englishman, and his terrific volleys which invariably follow. This is where the players will cut and thrust. Neither have any liking for defensive measures, and undoubtedly each will be striving early on to gain an ascendancy in attack. I feel that Vines, to win, must win quick. He must succeed in throwing Perry out of rhythm from the start. (Continued on Page 9.)



A good action picture of Vines taken in Hongkong recently. He is at the finish of a forehand drive. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

FRED PERRY THE MIGHTY IN ACTION



This picture graphically illustrates one of Perry's amazing hand drives. Note the right leg resting on the ground, his shoulders square to the net.

BRITISH BOXERS ARE FORCED DECLARES U. VISITOR TO LONDON

James J. Johnston, of Madison Square Garden, New York, who is now visiting London, has given his opinion of boxing in general. Johnston, who was born in Liverpool, has always had a keen interest in British fighters, and when the latter go to America always gives them a chance at the "Garden" if they make good. Speaking of British boxing he said: "You haven't produced a heavyweight world champion for years for a very good reason. British managers try to make their youngsters do too much too quickly. It takes four years to make a boxer a first-class fighter. He has got to be nursed. Avaricious managers won't wait, and the striplings are ruined with gruelling matches that are too long and too stiff. That's why they

don't reach the high spots. My philosophy of what a champion is this—first he has to fight to eat; then, when he has eaten to fight. "Braddock had to fight to pick him off the relief roll docks, and made him world champion in a year. That was a real fight. The idea of the leading heavyweight are: Braddock; too old. Schmeling; Any first class would beat him. Joe Louis; Overrated. He can't fight a good right hand and he can't live to fight another day, and take it on the temples. "Petersen; Give value for money but he wasn't good enough. John Henry Lewis; The coming champion. Not a heavyweight America he can't lick. He will bay the champion. Harvey; A fine boxer with a good record, but not a world champion.

EYSTON TO GO FOR MOTOR RECORD

Our Daily Golf Hint

Do not attempt to play a pitch shot as if the implement in your hands were a shovel or a big ladle; remember that the loft on the head will do all you ask of it. —James Ockenden.

INDIAN INVITATION TO ENGLISH F.A. Corinthians Asked To Visit Next Season

The F.A. has received a cable from the Indian F.A. stating that an invitation is being extended to the Islington Corinthians F.C. to visit India next season.

If the Corinthians go they will probably be the first English club to play on the new stadium which is being built at Calcutta to accommodate 100,000 people.

Subject to F.A. sanction being given, the Islington club say they will definitely undertake a world tour next year. Several sportsmen have guaranteed the cost and they are now looking for suitable players.

The proposal that the tour should be by an F.A. representative side has already been turned down by the F.A.

Captain George Eyston has announced that he intends shortly to make an attempt to break his own land speed record for compression-ignition (Diesel-engine) cars.

His previous record of 158.87 m.p.h. was made with his car "The Flying Spray" on the Bonneville Salt Flats, Utah, last April.

He wants to make the new attempt on an ordinary road, and has been canvassing the suitability of various stretches in Germany and Italy.

But in those countries there are various formalities and red tape which cause difficulties, and the probability is that the attempt will finally be made somewhere in France.

AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE

Close to the blackened ruins of the burnt-out Crystal Palace work was started on the construction of a new motor-racing circuit.

Captain Eyston, Sir Henry Buckland, Lord Feilding and Sir Samuel Hill-Wood cut a ceremonial turf with a four-handled spade to inaugurate the new venture.

The new track, which is being built by the International Road Racing Club, of which Lord Feilding is president, will be completed early in the spring.

Six meetings have been arranged for next year.

Speaking at a luncheon given in connection with the ceremony, Mr. S. E. Legg said that the future of the Crystal Palace was still undetermined, but that if a new building were to be erected it would probably take a very modern and practical form.

Pat-A-Cake Bores Experts INTEREST JUST FADES AWAY AMONG CROWD

Sydney, Dec. 20.

One man present at the Second Test yesterday will never be able to thank the English batsmen for their dull, dreary display of Pat-a-Cake. They provided him—an insomnia victim—with the first sound sleep he had had for years.

Charlie Kelleway, a Test champion of other days, who never unnerved the official scorer, remarked morosely:—"Things could be a great deal brighter."

"I came all the way from Bathurst to see the match," declared Tom McKibbin, famous old-time Test player, "but I'm definitely packing the port to-night. I've seen all the correct cricket, both here and in England. What about a bit of batting?"

"What about a drink?" asked a man sitting nearby. A second later there was not a man to be seen in that corner of the pavilion.

THEY JUST SCRATCHED ROUND

On a perfect pitch, England scored only 147 runs all day. They resumed with 270 runs on the board and seven wickets in hand, but scratched round as if the fate of the Empire were in the balance or the Ashes depended upon every ball bowled.

Hammond, one of the best batsmen in the world, made some beautiful shots, but his off his bat did not represent a decent day's work.

This, coming after Leyland's lethargy of the previous day and the staid antics of Ames, drove the crowd to distraction.

"The Hill" was patience personified for a while, but soon signified what he thought of things. "One-two-three," he chanted, until it reached "ten." But Hammond took no notice.

"We may have been a bit slow," he said to a friend later, "but the runs are there."

Two or three missed catches and sharp rain showers did not improve the temper of the crowd who were not in the stands. When only eleven runs were left after 4.30 nobody seemed to mind.

The captains inspected the wicket, which had been covered. Then they walked off.

That was the last the crowd saw of the players, but Hammond and Ames lived to fight another day, and with 420 runs on the board England appears certain to reach a substantial total.

The surprising feature of the day's play was the restraint of "The Hill." He counted out Hammond once, urged him and his comrades to "be a go," but probably the English received a big surprise when Hammond did not come during the funeral partnership of Hammond with Ames and Hardstaff.

"I AM DISAPPOINTED"

Commander C. B. Fry, a former cricketer, said after the match:—"The day, in my opinion, is made up of moments which amuse themselves while the play cannot amuse them. I'd say that they are a very decent lot."

Mr. Neville Cardus, "The Hill" appointed with "The Hill." A few polite sounds reminded me of the elegant Long Room at Lord's when the lemonade is not up to standard. There is little enough character nowadays in Test matches; the players have become automata, dull run-making contrivances. Cricket needs a salaried to prod it out of solemn self-consciousness.

Mr. Jack Hobbs, the famous English batsman: "The most patient people on this sporting earth of ours there is no getting away from the fact that play most of the time, was dull and dull; yet the occupants of 'The Hill' showed wonderful restraint. It appears to me that the days of bright Test cricket are gone. Matches nowadays are fought out in such a four spirit that it is more of a battle than a match. Nobody would have blamed the crowd to-day had they made themselves heard."

DELICATE ETIQUETTE

Mr. W. M. Woodfull, the former captain of Australia: "The crowd on 'The Hill' surprised me. The most exacting official and every stickler for etiquette towards visiting teams must have been pleased with the behaviour of the crowd."

Mr. Bruce Harris, well-known London sports writer: "I have heard 'The Hill' in far better voice during Tests in Sydney. Now and then they let the players know to-day that things were not the way they wanted them, but I thought their manners were first class."


JAPAN SPORT HEAD IS ELECTED

Presidency Of I.J.A.A.
Accepted By Lt-Gen.
Matahiko Oshima

Tokyo, Dec. 18. Filling a vacancy created on October 20, 1933, by the death of Dr. Hiei Kishi, founder and president of the Japan Amateur Athletic Federation, Lieut-Gen. Matahiko Oshima, I.J.A.A. and noted horseman, to-day took over the helm of the Japanese supreme sports organization. He was elected president at a meeting of the board of directors on Tuesday.

Mr. Ryozo Hiranuma, noted Yokohama capitalist and vice-president of the organization, was offered the post but declined stating that he was "unworthy" of the honour.

Mr. Hiranuma recently tendered his resignation assuming responsibility for the alleged scandalous behaviour of members of the Japanese Olympic team on their way back from Berlin under his supervision. He was persuaded to withdraw his resignation.



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MACAO FOOTBALLERS MATCH AGAINST SMALL UNITS WELL MATCHED

The Macao Artillery concluded their holiday programme with a match against a strong Departmental team at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon.

Although they did not play quite so well as they did against the Royal Engineers on Monday their performance was good and one feels sure that they have enjoyed and benefited from these games during their short stay in the Colony.

An evenly contested game during which both sides missed several scoring chances resulted in a draw of one all.

Lobato and De Silva the backs were again in the limelight and their display had much to do with the result. Lobato made some fine clearances and tackled well whilst Gomes in the intermediate line although opposed to Duffield the clever Army forward proved a rare exponent of the latter's movements. Santos in the centre made some speedy runs but he lacked a finishing shot.

The outstanding member of the Macao forwards was Asis at inside left. He engineered many fine movements and was a source of danger whenever he had the ball.

The Small Units were strongly represented and included Duffield the Army forward, Harrison the Medicals' nippy centre forward and O'Connor who now appears in the Kowloon senior eleven. Duffield and Beasley were responsible for many clever movements, but there was a tendency to forget Harrison, consequently the latter had little chance to shine.

Although Worsfold the centre half was injured during the early part of the game he returned to play a really sound game at left half.

The opening exchanges favoured the Small Units but many chances were wasted. The Macao Artillery took the lead shortly before the interval when Hopkinson became through his own goal. They retained this lead until some ten minutes from the end when Duffield sent over a perfect pass for Lieut. Reeder to equalise for the Small Units.

Macao Artillery—Fernandez, C. de Silva, Lobato, Gomes, Niza, Silveira, Mirais, Veiga, A. Santos, Asis, J. Santos.

Small Units—Smith (R.A.S.C.), Hopkinson (R.A.O.C.), Howells (R.A.M.C.), Roberts (Signals), Worsfold (R.A.O.C.), O'Connor (R.A.P.C.), Lieut. Reeder (R.A.S.C.), Beasley (R.A.S.C.), Harrison (R.A.M.C.), Duffield (R.A.O.C.), Whetton (R.A.O.C.).

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB Christmas Holiday Competitions

The results of the Hongkong Golf Club competitions played at Fanling during the Christmas holidays are as follows:

Mixed Bogey—D. J. and Mrs. Fraser (one down) win. There were 22 entries.

Bogey (Par) Pool, played over Old Course. T. R. Chasels (9) one up, wins. W. N. A. Smalley (15), Col. L. J. Lightfoot (20) D. S. Edward (3) and J. S. Dunnett (17) all square, sufficient entries.

WOLF CUB SPORTS FIRST HONGKONG WINS SHIELD

The Hongkong Wolf Cubs competed against each other for the Peter Daziel Shield when they met at their annual sports, held at the Hongkong Football Club ground yesterday afternoon.

Throughout the athletic events, which were devoted to suit the training of the boys, keen competition was seen and much cheering was heard when the 1st Hongkong pack's relay team won the Inter-Pack relay race by almost 10 yards.

The Daziel Shield goes to the 1st Hongkong Wolf Pack this year, with 22 points, followed by the 1st Kowloon Wolf Pack with 18 points and the 13th Kowloon Wolf Pack with 16 points.

The leaders of the 1st Kowloon Wolf Pack are gratified to see their company taking second place, as they were rather low in the winning list last year.

If the 2nd Hongkong Wolf Pack, winners of last year's annual meet, had competed this year, the 1st Hongkong would have had a very much harder time in making their winning points.

At the conclusion of the events, Mrs. F. E. Booker, Acting Assistant Commissioner for Wolf Cubs, presented prizes, in the form of card certificates, to the successful competitors.

The full results were: 60 Yards Sprint (Cubs under 10): 1. H. West (1st Kowloon); 2. Y. Y. Cheung (1st Hongkong); 100 Yards Sprint (Cubs over 10): 1. H. Hunsall (1st Hongkong); 2. D. Masabrie (13th Kowloon); 3. L. Vieira (13th Kowloon).

Three-Legged Race—1. A. Choo and J. Leinenen (1st Hongkong); 2. H. West and D. Baldwin (1st Kowloon); 3. A. Brundell and D. Brundell (4th Hongkong).

Sack Race—1. G. Rosslet (Sea Scouts); 2. D. Chester-Woyle (1st Kowloon); 3. S. Vantal (1st Hongkong); 40 Yards Race—1. D. Garton (1st Hongkong); 2. D. Bridges (4th Hongkong); 3. D. McMahon (12th Kowloon).

Potato Race (Cubs under 10): 1. V. Russell (12 Kowloon); 2. L. Remedios (13th Kowloon); 3. L. Roza (13th Kowloon).

Inter-Pack Relay Race—1. 1st Hongkong; 2. 13th Kowloon; 3. 1st Kowloon.

The following received books as prizes: Obstacles Race—1. W. K. Cheung (1st Hongkong); 2. T. Staples (1st Kowloon); Little Sisters' Race—1. Miss C. Baldwin; 2. Miss S. Cole; 3. Miss M. Coyne.

Little Brothers' Race—1. J. Easton; 2. D. Falkner; Girls' Race—Miss E. Dolson; 2. Miss J. Bentley.

A silver medal for the Cubbers' race went to Jack Yulla of the Deep Sea Scouts.

For second place, Smalley, three up on the last nine holes, takes the second prize. There were 64 entries.

Bogey (Par) Pool, over New Course. E. G. Smith Wright (10) one down, wins. There were 19 entries.

Mixed Bogey, over New Course. D. J. and Mrs. Fraser (2 down) win. There were 22 entries.

The Medal Round over the Old Course was cancelled owing to insufficient entries.

GREATEST TENNIS ORDERON MATCH OF THE RICHARDS' DECADE DERBY HOPE

(Continued from Page 8)

opening games. If the match the full distance of five sets, on Perry winning are consistently eluded, hopes to repair the deficiency next year. So do many other jockeys, incidentally.

But Richards has perhaps more reason for his optimism or hope. Beckhampton may not have a three-year-old good enough to be seriously regarded for the "classic," in which case Gordon will ride Early School for Lord Astor.

If that should eventuate, Gordon told a Sporting Chronicle reporter, "it would be a great privilege to win the Derby for Lord Astor. We should both break our Derby 'duck.' Of course, it depends upon the colt being good enough."

Speaking of this year's Derby, in which he finished second on Tal Akbar to Mahmoud, Gordon paid tribute to the winner.

MAHMOUD'S STAMINA
"Many people have stated he was a lucky winner. I don't think that at all. He stayed better than they thought he would, and so he surprised them. Only good horses win the Derby, and every credit ought to go to Mahmoud for his easy victory."

On his year's work he said: "I can give no reason why I have not had so many winners this season except by using the time-honoured phrase, a jockey cannot win without the horse."

"Neither horses nor jockeys are machines. It isn't a question of better competition, although I think we are very well off for riding talent at the present time. There has been for a lack of young riders. I don't agree with it."

"You have only got to look at the young light-weight jockeys who are riding regularly for the big stables, such as the brothers E. and D. Smith, J. Sirett, and J. Crouch, the King's jockeys. These are only a few of those holding responsible retainers."

YOUNG JOCKEYS
"I think we are in a splendid position as far as young jockeys go. I should like to mention how much we shall miss the jockeys who are retiring this season. The rest of us are arranging a dinner at which they will be our guests. We hope to give them a rousing send-off."

"If ever a jockey set an example it is Fred Fox. He has been a model to all of us; clean living, helpful, and a fine rider. We shall all miss him greatly. A great fellow is Fred Fox."

Johnnie Dines, another who has retired, said: "The jockeys have been particular friends for years. 'All the jockeys are now very respectful to Johnnie,' he said laughingly. 'When he came into the weighing-in room the other day they all touched their caps to him, hoping to be given a few mounts when he starts a new year.'"

Talking of the unusual number of riding accidents during the season, the champion said: "There was no particular reason why there should have been so many. We might go for a long time without one and then they come one after another."

CAUSE OF MISHAPS
"It is a marvel we do not have accidents more frequently. A horse in the front ranks has only to slip up rounding a bend and he might bring down half a dozen others."

"These accidents are always more likely to happen when a large proportion of the jockeys have orders to ride a waiting race."

"The horses remain together and get in one another's way, whereas if different riding tactics had been employed they would soon have been strung out. The larger fields than usual have also not helped matters."

Gordon hopes that one of his two boys will become a jockey. Richards' engagements for next year are: First claim—Beckhampton stable. Second claim—Lord Astor. Third claim—Mr. M. Hartigan. Fourth claim—Lord Portal and Lord Monck.

MILITARY CRICKET
E. Lancs. Beat Engineers
In Knock-out Tournery

In the semi-final round of the Large Units Knock-out Cricket Competition, the East Lancashire Regiment yesterday defeated the Royal Engineers by 140 runs on the Kowloon C.C. ground.

The East Lancs. compiled 252 for eight wickets before declaring. L/Cpl. Goldworthy hit up 80, Allison 39 and Handsman Cox 30.

The Royal Engineers were dismissed for 103. C. S. M. Elvin captured five wickets for 45, Lieut. Murphy three for 15 and L/Cpl. Whithead two for 20.

ARSENAL STILL IN LEAD English Soccer Tables Revised

As a result of Monday's English Football League matches, Arsenal still head the first division, though Sunderland, Brentford and Charlton have the same number of points.

Blackpool has established a clear lead in the second division, but both sections of the third division are being hotly contested.

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Arsenal	22	11	6	5	48	30	28
Sunderland	22	13	2	7	49	38	28
Brentford	22	12	4	6	44	35	28
Charlton	23	10	8	5	50	26	28
Derby	23	11	4	8	51	47	25
Portsmouth	23	9	7	7	43	31	25
Huddersfield	23	9	7	7	31	33	25
Manchester U.	22	11	3	8	42	44	25
Middlesbrough	22	11	3	8	42	44	25
Manchester C.	22	8	7	7	45	38	23
Everton	22	10	3	9	45	40	23
Stoke	23	7	9	7	35	31	23
Chelsea	23	9	5	9	31	34	23
Grimsby	23	9	4	10	48	49	22
Wolves	22	8	3	10	38	36	21
Bolton	22	8	8	6	26	34	20
Liverpool	23	6	7	10	39	46	19
Birmingham	23	6	7	10	36	43	19
Preston N.E.	22	7	5	10	31	41	19
Wednesday	22	5	8	9	33	34	18
Leeds	22	8	1	13	35	44	17
West Ham	23	7	3	13	36	47	17
Manchester U.	22	5	9	12	33	47	15

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Blackpool	23	10	3	4	71	20	35
Plymouth	23	12	7	4	45	27	31
Bury	23	11	8	4	37	26	31
Coventry	23	10	8	5	35	23	28
Leicester	23	11	5	7	44	33	27
Newcastle	23	12	2	9	46	27	26
Aston Villa	23	9	6	8	35	26	26
Sheffield U.	23	10	6	7	37	26	26
Burnley	23	9	6	8	27	24	24
Fulham	23	9	5	9	36	34	23
Tottenham	23	9	4	9	50	32	22
Barnsley	23	8	5	10	31	41	21
West Ham	22	8	4	10	29	37	20
Swansea	22	8	3	11	27	33	19
Chesterfield	22	7	5	10	35	45	19
Blackburn	22	7	5	10	31	39	19
Norwich	23	7	5	11	30	39	19
Notts Forest	22	6	10	10	30	46	18
Southampton	23	7	4	12	31	45	18
Bradford C.	24	6	6	12	32	48	18
Bradford A.	23	7	4	12	31	50	18
Doncaster	22	3	8	13	14	48	12

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Watford	22	14	4	6	44	27	28
Brighton	22	12	4	6	37	21	28
Luton	21	13	1	7	42	27	27
Bournemouth	21	11	5	5	32	22	27
Northampton	21	11	4	6	42	27	26
Notts C.	22	10	6	6	39	34	26
Gillingham	21	11	4	6	27	26	26
Millwall	21	11	5	6	37	25	25
Reading	21	10	5	6	41	31	25
Queens P.R.	21	10	4	7	39	24	24
Southend	21	8	6	7	30	30	23
Swindon	21	8	6	7	42	32	22
Cardiff	21	9	4	8	30	31	22
Clapton O.	21	6	8	7	29	30	20
Bristol R.	21	9	2	10	32	33	19
Torquay	22	7	5	10	27	37	19
Crystal Pal.	21	6	5	10	31	34	17
Walsall	21	5	6	10	26	44	16

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Chester	23	13	4	6	50	30	30
Stockport	21	10	8	3	46	20	28
Hull	20	11	6	3	32	22	28
Lincoln	21	11	5	5	53	30	27
Port Vale	23	10	7	6	38	33	27
Oldham	21	10	6	5	43	31	26
Halifax	21	10	3	8	33	28	23
Rotherham	21	9	3	9	43	36	22
Wrexham	20	8	5	7	30	30	21
Mansfield	20	8	5	7	38	34	21
Hartlepool	20	8	5	7	25	25	21
Carlisle	20	2	9	10	30	31	20
New Brighton	21	6	8	7	21	25	20
York	20	6	8	8	32	35	18
Gateshead	20	6	6	10	30	35	18
Accrington	20	6	5	9	20	30	17
Crawley	21	4	9	8	20	43	17
Southport	20	4	9	7	34	45	16
Barrow	19	5	5	9	28	37	15
Rochdale	21	5	5	11	25	44	15
Darlington	20	3	8	9	29	43	14
Tranmere	21	3	5	13	31	54	11

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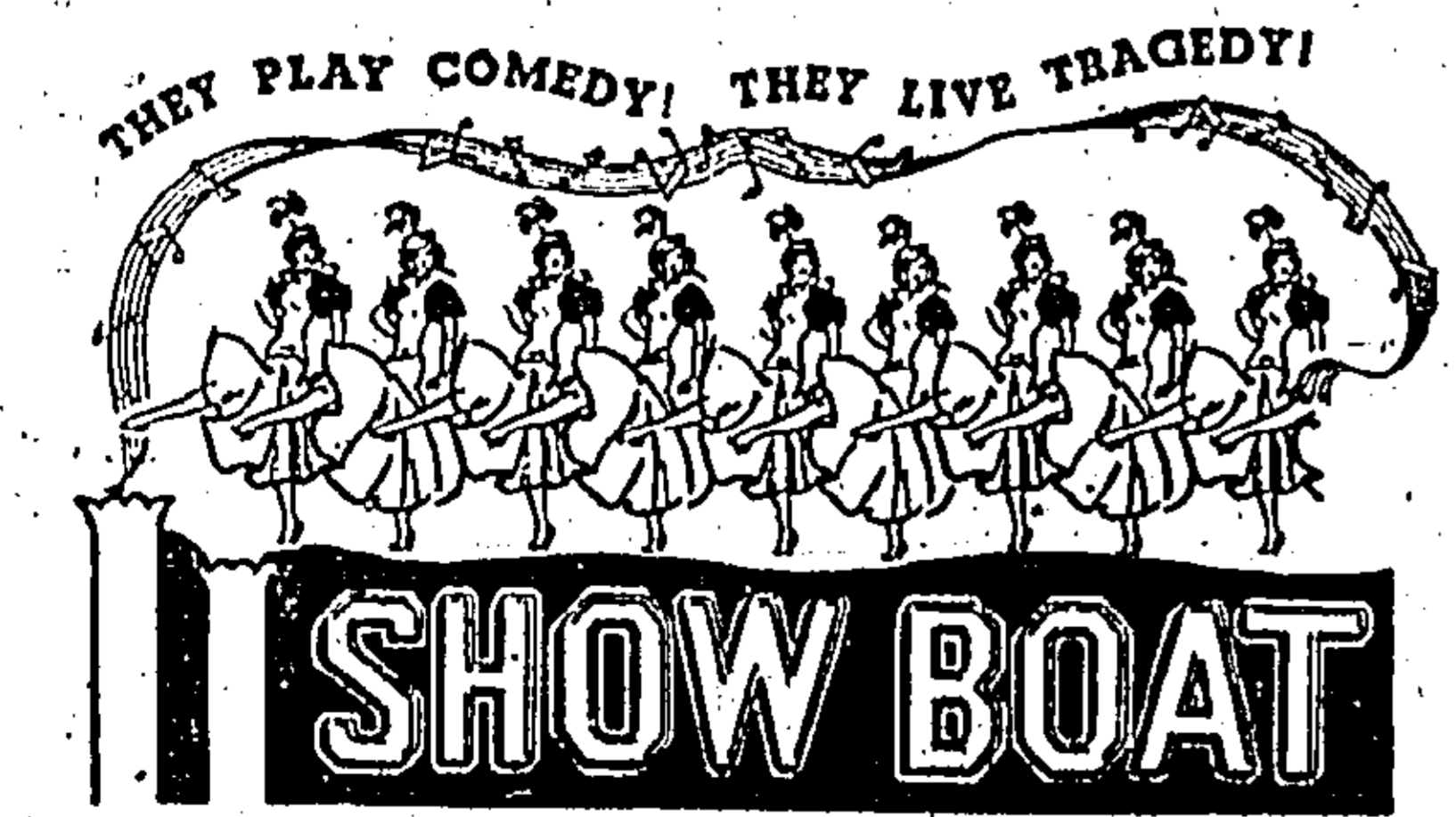


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DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT

MR. RALPH PACKHAM IN H.K. IN 1900

Old residents of the Colony will learn with regret of the death, which took place at Southwick, Sussex, on December 10, of Mr. Ralph Packham, formerly of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at the age of 60 years. The news will come as a surprise to many of his friends, who had recently received the customary Christmas greetings from the family.

The late Mr. Packham was, prior to his retirement in 1925, one of Kowloon's best-known and most highly respected residents. He was for many years an active member of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents Association, whilst for a period of 18 years he was a Churchwarden at St. Andrew's Church, where his wife and daughter were closely identified with religious and social activities.

Mr. Packham came out East in July, 1900, with the intention of joining the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, then under construction, but the occurrence of the Boxer troubles held up the project and some two months later he joined the Godown Company, with which he remained for 25 years as cargo superintendent. He leaves a widow and two daughters, one of whom, Mrs. F. G. Herridge, with whom much sympathy will be felt.

ANOTHER DEATH

Captain Nicholas Alexandrovitch Rodzestvin, well-known riding instructor, died shortly after midnight this morning at Kowloon Hospital. Deceased was 42 years of age and leaves a widow, formerly Mrs. Fatz, whose previous husband was an artist of some repute and often gave exhibitions of his paintings.

Capt. Rodzestvin was in command of cavalry under the old Russian regime and was one of the thousands of Russians who left their country and came to China after the Revolution. He had learned to ride at the best military academies in his native country and on the strength of this reputation he operated a riding school in Shanghai before coming to Hongkong about six years ago. Since then he has been connected with several riding schools here and, at the time of his death, was instructor to the Kowloon Riding School.

The funeral takes place this afternoon at Happy Valley, passing the Monument at 4.30 p.m.

British Motor Trade Thrives

SHARE OF WHOLE WORLD'S MARKET

London, Dec. 29. A survey of trade in motor vehicles, prepared by the Imperial Economic Committee, shows that while there are fifteen times as many motor cars in the United States as in the United Kingdom, the latter has more cars per square mile of its area, namely 22, than any other country.

The next is Belgium with 13.5. Moreover, 94 per cent. of motor vehicles sold in the United Kingdom are of home manufacture, while the British share in the total world export of motor vehicles is approximately one sixth.—British Wireless.

NOT MENTALLY STABLE

"ADOPTED SON OF ROOSEVELT"

Certified as mentally unstable but quite harmless, Lui Wah-hee, alias Lo Sze-fook, alias Kidoi, if Louis Roosevelt, who claimed to be the adopted son of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, was allowed to go free by Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning when he again appeared on a charge of unlawful possession of a revolver, two sword bayonets and 23 rounds of ammunition at the Hotel Cecil on December 22.

Chief Detective J. Murphy, who prosecuted, on being told of the doctor's report, said he had been instructed not to ask for any penalty, as defendant's clansmen had undertaken to take him back to Tolshan. "We are satisfied so long as he gets out of the Colony," he said.

His Worship discharged defendant, but made an order confiscating the arms.

MURDER CHARGE CASE TO BE HEARD AT TAIPO

In connection with the murder by strangulation, of a 50-year old woman named Li Kam-yn at 20 Wai Yan Street, Taiipo, on Sunday morning, a 30-year old unemployed man, Wong Fat-chi was charged before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning with having committed the crime with others not in custody.

Applying for a remand of three days, Inspector C. R. Rozesky said the case would be transferred to Taiipo for hearing. Accused was detained on the day of the murder. The remand was granted.

NOTED WRITER'S DEATH

A. G. "SMILER" HALES SAW MANY WARS

PROLIFIC NOVELIST

London, Dec. 29. The death has occurred of Mr. A. G. Hales, the well-known war correspondent and novelist.—Reuter.

The late Mr. Hales, who was known as "Smiler Hales," was born in Australia in 1870, but began his journalistic career in England. In the South African war of 1899-1901 he was the correspondent of a London newspaper, but was wounded and taken prisoner by the Boers. Released at the end of the campaign, he served his paper by investigating at great risk the highly complicated problem of the Macedonians' resistance to Turkish control. War service again came his way in 1905 when he was present at some of the chief battles of the Russo-Japanese conflict.

Three different lines of work then occupied many years of his life. He toured England, America, South Africa and Australia as a lecturer. Throughout his travels, however, he studied the physical features of the countries through which he passed, particularly in regard to mining, and in 1910 he made a special investigation into the mining and agricultural possibilities of the greater part of South America he claimed to have been on nearly every known mining field in the world. In the intervals of travel and big-game shooting he found time for writing poems and stories reflecting the impressions of his wanderings. He was notably successful with a series of books relating the adventures and opinions of a Scot whom he named McGlusky.

Among his other works are "The Wanderings of a Simple Child," "Campagna Pictures," "Briscol, King of Scouts," "The Great Betrayal," "Broken Trails," "Folled by a Woman," "The Jackaroo," "The Life and Adventures of May Yoh," and "Abner Crane's Vengeance." All were lively and thrilling.

Protecting Britain's Interests

Madrid, Dec. 29. The decision to transfer the British Embassy to Valencia has been received with disappointment by members of the British colony who do not propose to leave Madrid when the move is made.

The British Chamber of Commerce has cabled to Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, pointing out that many members of the colony are remaining in Madrid in order to protect British interests, and they will be at a disadvantage with no official representation at the capital.—Reuter.

Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co. have arranged for a special delivery by motor truck to the New Territories to-morrow (Thursday) for aerated waters, wines and spirits.

Naval Treaty Ratification Near At Hand

FRANCE PREPARED TO ACT AT ONCE

London, Dec. 29. Ratification of the London Naval Treaty of 1930 by France and the United Kingdom, which will bring the Treaty into force, is expected at a relatively early date.

Both the French and British Governments are known to be prepared to ratify the treaty, and in the case of France the normal parliamentary procedure will be completed before long. British ratification, it is believed, may be deferred somewhat longer in view of the series of bilateral naval talks in which the United Kingdom Government has engaged in order to secure wider adhesion to the principles of advance notification of annual building programmes and of exchange of information, as well as acceptance of definitions of categories of ships and standard displacements, and of agreed qualitative limits for each category which the Treaty provides.

Nevertheless it is anticipated in London that the United Kingdom and French Government's ratification will both take place early next year.—British Wireless.

Papua Patrol Is Safe

MISSING MONTHS IN MOUNTAINS

London, Dec. 29. It is officially confirmed that the Government patrol, which has been lost for three months in the mountains of Papua, has now reported itself safe.

It is reaching the coast to-day, after a successful survey whereby much valuable information has been obtained.

Members of the patrol are well and have not been molested by the mountain tribes. A search party sent out last week has now been recalled.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

KOWLOON CHURCH ROOF ABLAZE

OUT BEFORE FIREMEN REACH SCENE

While workmen were tarring the roof of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, this morning, some of the material with which they were working caught fire and for a time threatened to do serious damage.

Considerable smoke, and the excitement prevailing among the coolies, prompted an alarm. The fire brigade was called.

Before the appliances arrived, however, the shouting workmen had beaten out the blaze. Damage was very slight.

SOME DRIZZLE

The anticyclone is stationary over China and pressure changes are slight. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, some drizzle.

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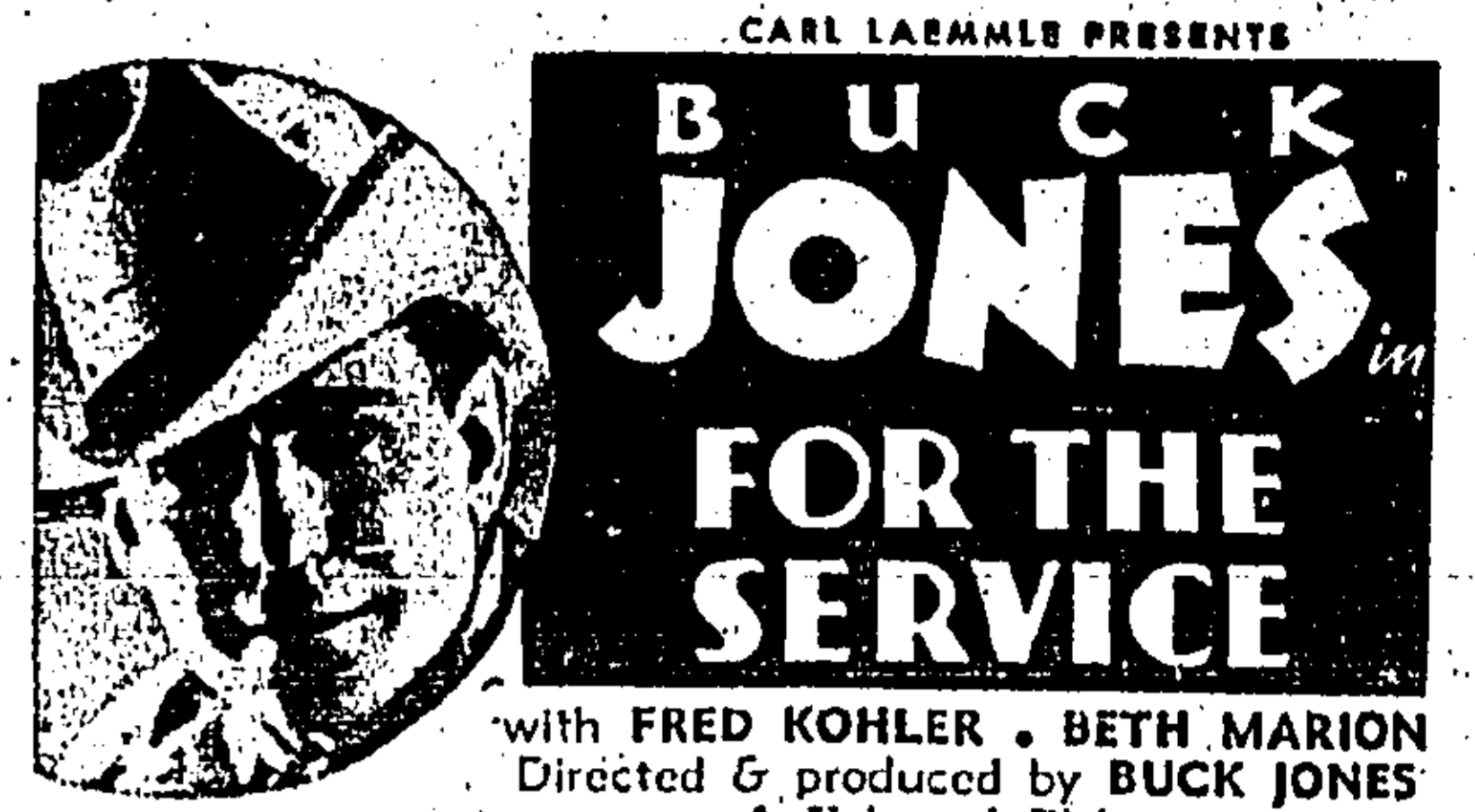


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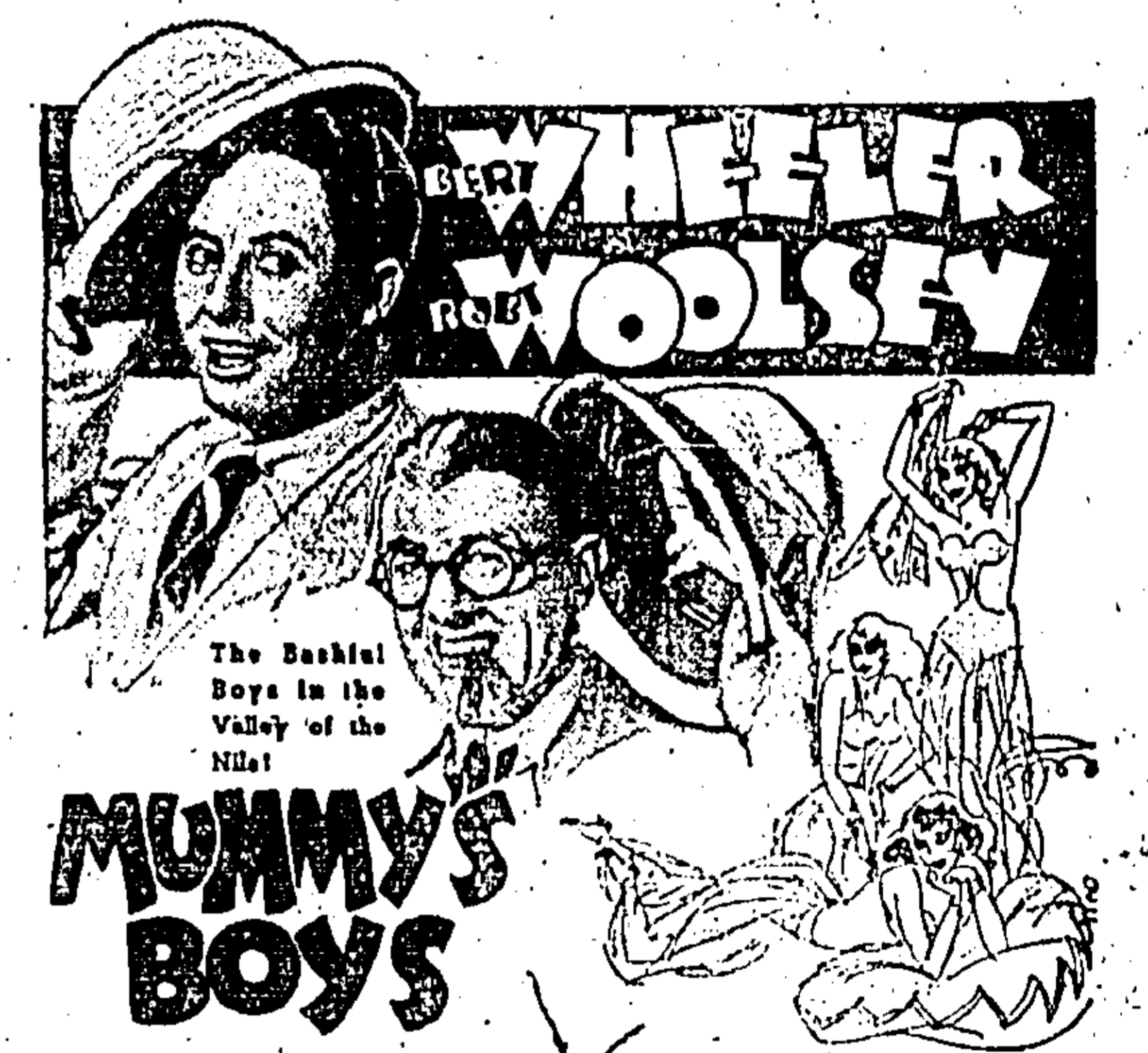


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